Family ECHIDNIDAE

Body compressed or cylindrical. Head conic. Mouth terminal, with lateral cleft reaching beyond eye. Maxillary articulates with ethmo-vomer some distance from snout end. Teeth strong, acute or obtuse, in 1 or more rows. Nostrils lateral. Gill openings well separated. Pharyngeal apertures of gill clefts restricted. Upper and lower pharyngeals with strong curved teeth in double row, elongated, supported by enlarged epibranchials and ceratobranchials of fourth arch. Frontal bone paired. Palato-pterygoid very slender, nearly vestigial. Neural spines developed in caudal region only, short, laminar. Caudal vertebrae with lateral transverses extensions. Skin naked, thick, usually tough. Vertical fins various. No pectorals.

A large family of tropical or subtropical eels, living chiefly among rocks and coral reefs. Many are large and powerful, capable of inflicting dangerous wounds with their formidable teeth. Many are also strinkingly colored.

The following specimen unidentifiable:

One example. Nan Wan, Formosa. June 27, 1910. Length 39 mm.

Analysis of genera

a[1]. Echidninae. Vertical fins well developed, dorsal beginning before vent.

b[1]. Teeth all or nearly all acute, none molars.

c[1]. Tail 1 1/2 to 2 times long as combined head and trunk.

d[1]. Front nostril in simple tube; snout and lower jaw tips without barbel like appendages. Evenchelys.

c[2]. Tail equals or little longer or shorter than rest of body.

e[1]. Trunk very slender, elongate, depth 40 to 55; head 12 to 17. Pseudechidna.

e[2]. Depth less than 30; head less than 12.

f[1]. Hind nostril without tube or with tube much shorter than simple tubes of anterior nostrils.

g[1]. Depressible canines few (1 to 10). Lycodontis.

g^2. Depressible canines very many (30); teeth biserial; mouth large, not completely closing. AEmasia.

f^2. Front nostril with thickened rim forming bilobed posterior flap; hind nostril oval opening, nearly equals eye and surrounded by thin membrane. Enchelynassa.

f^3. Both front and hind nostrils equally tubular. Murenophis.

b^2. Teeth mostly obtuse, molar like; only front nostril tubular; mouth cleft rather short; dorsal begins before gill opening. Echidna.

a^2. Uropteryginae. Vertical fins rudimentary or absent, when present terminal on tail; teeth rather small, pointed, subequal, in several rows; hind nostril round, with or without short tube.

g^3. Tail about long as rest of body; snout moderate, half mouth cleft, which not half of head. Uropterygius.

g^{4}. Tail very short, half rest of body; snout very short, less than 1/4 mouth cleft, which nearly half of head.

Channomuraena.

Genus Evenchelys Jordan and Evermann

Evenchelys JORDAN and EVERMANN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 25, 1902, p. 327. Type Muraena macrurus BLEEKER, orthotypic.

Rhabdura OGILBY, Proc. Royal Soc. Queensland, vol. 20, 1907 (1908), p. 12. Type Muraena macrurus BLEEKER, virtually monotypic.

Body greatly elongate, very slender, slightly compressed, tail 1 1/2 to twice length of rest of body. Head rather long. Snout short. Eye small, far advanced. Mouth rather large, extends far behind eye, closes completely. Teeth acute, compressed, biserial in maxillaries, uniserial in mandible with 2 series near symphysis. Vomerine teeth small, uniserial. Premaxillaries with peripheral series and mesial row of 4 depressible teeth. Front nostrils tubular, on top of snout. Hind nostrils on top of head above front eye edge, margin furnished with rim. Gill opening small, oblique, low or ventral. Dorsal and anal confluent around tail, covered with thick skin, dorsal beginning far below gill openings.

Indo Pacific. A single species of large size, likely the longest living apodal fish.

Evenchelys macrurus (Bleeker)

Muraena macrurus BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 7, 1854, p. (314) 324. Anjer, Sunda Straits. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 127 (Port Natla, Ceylon, Indian Ocean, Java). -- PERUGIA, Ann. Mus. Civ. Stor. Nat. Genova, vol. 33, 1893, p. 255 ( ). -- REGAN, Ann. Natal Gov. Mus., 1908, p. 243 (Kosi Bay). -- WEBER, Nova Guinea, vol. 5, pt. 2, 1908, p. 227 (Merauke River mouth, southern New Guinea). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 421 (Pelew Islands).

Muraena macrura DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 672, pl. 170, fig. 5; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 81, fig. 32.

Muroena macrurus ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 594 (Luzon, Manila, Navotas).

Thyrsoidea macrurus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 111, pl. (22) 166, fig. 2 (Java). -- KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 386 (Java). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 355, fig. 174 (Flores; Merauke River mouth).

Evenchelys macrurus JORDAN and EVERMANN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 25, 1902, p. 327 (Kotosho, Formosa). -- FOWLER, Journ. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, ser. 2, vol. 12, 1904, p. (Padang); Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 20 (Padang specimen); Copeia, No. 58, June 18, 1918, p. 62 (Philippines). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 302 (Manila Bay, Lingayen Gulf, Iloilo, Agusan River; Sandskan Bay, Borneo). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1925, p. 196 (Natal coast); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 51 (compiled).

Rhabdura macrura WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 56.

Gymnothorax macrurus GILCHRIST and THOMPSON, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, pt. 4, 1917, p. 304 (compiled).

Thyrsoidea longissima KAUP, Archiv Naturg., vol. 22, 1, 1856, p. 61. Bombay; Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 82 (types).

Genus Rhinomuraena Garman

Rhinomuraena GARMAN, Bull. Essex Inst., 1888, p. 114.

Type Rhinomuraena quaesita GARMAN, monotypic.

Nettastomops STEINDACHNER, Anzeiger Akad. Wiss. Wien, Nr. 17, 1906, p. 299. Type Nettastomops barbatula STEINDACHNER, monotypic.

Body very slender, elongate, somewhat compressed. Head compressed. Snout pointed, with barbel like filamentous appendage and 3 similar ones on symphysis of lower jaw. Eye small, covered by skin. Mouth cleft reaches far behind eye, jaws close completely. Teeth uniserial, conic, pointed, maxillary series continued on premaxillary which carries besides mesially 3 depressible and somewhat longer teeth. Front nostril extended in tube ending with leaf like appendage, margin of which split. Hind nostril rounded opening close before eye level with upper eye edge. Gill openings larger than eye, in lower half of body height, forming into slight tube. Vertical fins confluent, well developed, covered by skin only. Dorsal origin on top of head, far before gill openings.

Eels of moderate size, remarkable for the pointed appendages at tip of the muzzle and the leaf like appendage of the front nostril. Apparently a single species.

Rhinomuraena quaesita Garman

Rhinomuraena quesita GARMAN, Bull. Essex Inst., 1888, p. 114. Ebon Island, Marshall Group. -- BARBOUR, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 21, Feb. 29, 1908, p. 39 (type). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 427 (compiled). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 50 (type); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (reference).

Nettastomops barbatula STEINDACHNER, Anzeiger Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 1421 (type).

?Ophichthys macrops GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 402, pl. 166, fig. 2. Kingsmill Islands.

Rhinechidna eritomia JORDAN, Journ. Pan Pac. Res. Inst., vol. 2, No. 4, Oct. - Dec. 1927, p. 4 (lapsus).

Rhinomuraena amboinensis BARBOUR, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 21, 1908, p. 40. Amboina. -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 353, figs. 172-173 (Banda).

Genus Pseudechidna Bleeker

Pseudechidna BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 272. Type Muraena brummeri BLEEKER, monotypic.

Strophidon MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1844, pp. 203, 214. Type Lycodontis longicaudata MC CLELLAND, virtually restricted by JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 880.

Body exceedingly long, slender, scarcely compressed, depth 40 to 55. Head moderate, pointed, length 12 to 17. Snout acutely rounded. Eye small, median in mouth cleft. Teeth entire, conic, compressed, partly depressible.

Posterior nostril without tube. Gill opening median in body depth. Dorsal begins well before gill opening, very numerous rays 628, anal rays 335.

One species, remarkably for its very long slender body.

Pseudechidna brummeri (Bleeker)

Muraena brummeri BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 27, 1858-59, p. 137. Atapupu, Timor. -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 128 (type). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Raiatea). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (Raiatea). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 420 (type of Muraena taenioides, Samoa, Huahine).

Muroena brummeri DE´VIS, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 8, 1883, p. 457 (Api, New Hebrides).

Muraena (Strophidon) brummeri WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 359, fig. 179 (Nias, Bawean, Savu, Ambon).

Pseudechidna brummeri BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêr-
land., vol. 4, 1864, pl. (18), fig. 1. -- HERRE,
Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923,
p. 204 (Puerto Galera and Mindanao).

Strophidon brummeri BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêr-
land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 109 (Timor; Ceram). --
SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 6, 1877, p. 18
(Raiatea). -- STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss.
Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p.
1423 (Upolu). -- FRANZ, Abh. Kön. Bayer. Akad. Wiss.,
vol. 4, Suppl. Band 1, 1910, p. 16 (Sagami Bay).
-- FOWLER, and BEAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 62,
1922, p. 9 (Cebu). -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Administ.
Rep., 1925, p. F15. -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol.
10, 1928, p. 50 (compiled); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931,
p. 317 (reference).

Strophidon polyodon BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1864 (1865), p. 47. Amboyna; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 109 (type); Arch. Neerland., Sci. Nat. Harlem, vol. 13, 1878, p. 38 (new Guinea).

Muraena polyodon GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 128 (type).

Muraena taenioides GUNTHER, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1871, p. 674. Savay.

Gymnothorax megapterus WEBER, Siboga Fishes, vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 57, pl. 7, fig. 1. Seba, Savu Island, East Indies).

Depth 39 1/2 to 40 1/4; head 10 1/3 to 12 1/5, 4 to 4 1/2 to vent, width 5 to 5 1/5 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 4/7 to 1 2/3 in tail. Snout 9 1/5 to 11 in head; eye 16 1/2 to 17 1/2, 1 7/8 to 2 1/8 in snout, 1 1/4 to 1 2/3 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 2 to 3 4/5 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 7/8 to 3 1/4 in head; teeth in jaws conic, compressed, uniserial, variably biserial on 1 or both sides; row of 3 or 4 large fangs down middle of premaxillary, with surrounding loup of rather large teeth; single row of small teeth down vomer; interorbital 11 1/3 to 11 2/3, convex. Gill opening equals or slightly longer than eye.

Dorsal origin at 2/5 to 3/5 in postrictal space, height about half body depth at vent; caudal pointed, long as snout.

Dark brown, little paler below. Iris gray. Fins dark.

Madagascar, Mauritius, East Indies, Philippines, Japan, Melanisia, Polynesia.

14022. Aparri, Luzon. November 19, 1908. Length 595 mm.

9377. Cebu market. August 29, 1909. Length 1143 mm.

9380. Cebu market. September 1, 1909. Length 1570 mm.

6117. Iloilo market. June 1, 1908. Length 1961 mm.

4652. Manila market. January 13, 1908. Length 1635 mm.

5697, 5698. Manila market. April 22, 1908. Length 917 to 1104 mm.

6825. Kowloon market, China. October 1, 1909. Length 750 mm.

Genus Lycodontis Mc Clelland

Lycodontis MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, No. 18, 1845, pp. 173, 185. Type Lycodontis literata MC CLELLAND, designated by JORDAN, Genera of Fishes, pt. 2, 1919, p. 220.

Thaerodontis MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, No. 18, 1845, pp. 174, 187. Type Thaerodontis reticulata MC CLELLAND, monotypic.

Siderea KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Type Muraena pfeifferi BLEEKER, designated by JORDAN, Genera of Fishes, pt. 2, 1919, p. 271.

Eurymyctera KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 59. Type Eurymyctera crudelis KAUP, monotypic.

Thyrsoidea KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60. Type Muraena thyrsoidea KAUP, tautotypic.

Polyuranodon KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 65. Type Polyuranodon kuhlii KAUP, monotypic.

Taeniophis KAUP, Abh. Nat. Ver. Hambrug, vol. 4, pt. 2, 1859 (1860), p. 1. Type Taeniophis westphali KAUP, designated by JORDAN, Genera of Fishes, pt. 2, 1919, p. 297.

Priodonophis KAUP, Abh. Nat. Ver. Hamburg, vol. 4, pt. 2, 1859 (1860), p. 22. Type Muraena ocellata AGASSIZ, monotypic.

Neomuraena GIRARD, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1858 (1859), p. 171. Type Neomuraena marginata GIRARD, monotypic.

Pseudomuraena JOHNSON, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1860, p. 167. Type Pseudomuraena madeirensis JOHNSON, monotypic.

Rabula JORDAN and DAVIS, Rep. U. S. Fish Comm., pt. 16, 1888 (1892), p. 580. Type Muraena aquedulcis COPE, orthotype.

Rhinechidna BARBOUR, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 21, 1910, p. 41. Type Rhinechidna eritima JORDAN and SEALE, monotypic.

Ahynnodonotphis FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 25. Type Gymnothorax stigmanotus FOWLER, orthotypic.

Body long, often thick and robust, depth less than 30. Tail moderate, not twice length of head and trunk. Head compressed. Eyes small. Mouth cleft reaches beyond eyes, often not completely closing. Lips continuous with skin of head. Teeth mostly acute, conic or compressed, none in jaws obtuse or molar like or serrated, usually in 1 or more series, often several pairs of large lower front canines. Premaxillary teeth in 1 or 2 outer rows and 1 to 4 median depressible canines, posterior often very long and fang like. Front nostrils tubular, on top of snout and hind ones as simple ovate or round pores. Gill openings small slits, horizontal or circular. Vertical fins well developed, dorsal beginning on head, above or before gill openings.

These the most abundant morays in all warm seas. Some reach a large size and are usually powerful and voracious, often very active and savage. They are often found in shallow waters, as lagoons bays, sounds and especially where rocks and reefs occur. Many are very variable, often with respect to dentition and change greatly with age. Their coloration is equally variable and often individuals of a species present the widest of tints and designs.

The following nominal species seem to be doubtful:

Lycodontis hauy (Lacepede)

Muraenophis hauy LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1801, p. 646, pl. 17, fig. 2. No locality (Collection Noël, of Rouen; drawing).

Lycodontis scriptus (Schneider)

Gymnothorax scriptus SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 529. "Australia". -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 94 (copied). -- MC CULLOCH, Austral. Mus. Mem., vol. 5, pt. 1, June 29, 1929, p. 72 (reference).

Lycodontis micropoecilus (Bleeker)

Muraena micropoecilus BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 8, 1855, p. (446) 459. Kokos Islands.

-- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 94 (type).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) micropoecilus WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 387 (type).

Gymnothorax micropoecilus BLEEKER, Versl. Kon. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1868, p. 300 (Waigui); Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 105, pl. (38) 182, fig. 1 (Cocos, Singapore, Amboina, Rotti; Timor).

Lycodontis micropoecilus FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 58 (compiled).

Lycodontis macrosiphon (Bleeker)

Gymnothorax macrosiphon BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 4, 1873, p. 154. China.

Lycodontis aulopterus (Filippi)

Muraena auloptera FILIPPI, Rev. Mag. Zool., 1853, p. 168. Mauritius.

Gymnothorax? aulopterus BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 72 (reference).

Lycodontis cerino-niger (Richardson)

Muraena cerino-nigra RICHARDSON, Ichth. China Japan, 1846, p. 314. Canton.

Gymnothorax cerinoniger CHU. Biol. Bull. St. John's Univ. Shanghai, No. 1, Jan. 1931, p. 28 (reference).

Analysis of species

a[1]. Medial teeth on premaxillary long slender depressible fangs.

b[1]. Lycodontis. Head less than 12, teeth entire.

c[1]. Vomerine teeth present.

d[1]. Hind nostrils without elevated rim.

e[1]. Maxillary teeth uniserial or with inner front row of 1 to 4 fang like teeth, absent with age.

f[1]. Head, trunk and tail uniform brown.

g[1]. Dorsal moderate, lower than height above vent; depth 12 to 20. afer.

g[2]. Dorsal high, above vent equals body height; depth 20 to 26. hepatica.

f[2]. Head, trunk and tail more or less distinctly marbled or reticulated; gill opening not in black blotch; no dark spot behind eye or at mouth corner; no distinct white spot on jaws.

h^1. Yellowish, marbled and reticulated with dark brown, sometimes finely mottled with dark and yellowish; vomerine teeth biserial (excepth with age, when uniserial).

richardsonii.

h^2. Body dark, with network of white or yellowish lines; vomerine teeth uniserial.

i^1. Tail shorter than rest of fish; lines on body and tail very fine; head 3 3/5 to 3 9/10 to vent.

pseudothyrsoidea.

i^2. Tail longer than or nearly equals rest of fish; lines on body and tail rather coarse; head 3 to 3 4/5 to vent. undulata.

i^3. Tail little longer or shorter than rest of fish; lines on body and tail rather coarse; head 4 to vent. favaginea.

f^3. Dark brown streak behind mouth corner; anal edge whitish.

j^1. More or less distinct white spots on jaws (no large dark spot behind eye and no white spots on body and tail).

chilospila.

j^2. No white spots on jaws.

k^1. Irregular dark brown blotches more or less confluent into transverse band like spots.

nubila.

k^2. Network of large black meshes, 3 or 4 transversely, meshes smaller towards head, form transverse bars toward end of tail.

sagenodeta.

f[4]. Head, trunk and tail with distinct dark spots, more or less arranged in rows; sometines large dark or postocular spot; gill openings not in black blotch.

l[1]. Head and trunk little less than tail.

m[1]. Spots smaller than interspaces, much smallest on head; head 3 1/2 to 4 1/3 to vent; mouth cleft 2 2/3 in head. melanospila.

m[2]. Spots larger than interspaces, yellowish with 3 alternating longitudinal series of round brown spots median series largest. tigrina.

f[5]. Gill openings in dark brown or black blotch.

n^1. Edges of one or both vertical fins narrowly whitish.

o^1. No black blotch at rictus; head 4 to 4 2/3 to vent.

flavimarginata.

o^2. Black blotch in rictus; head 3 to 3 1/2 to vent.

kidako.

n^2. Fin edges not white; region of gill opening and lower eye diffusely blackish; head 3 4/5 to vent.

mierosewskii.

f^6. Head, trunk and tail with distinct dark crossbands.

p^1. Brown crossbands 13 encircling body completely, narrower than interspaces.

chlamydata.

p^2. Crossbands 15 to 20 encircling body, much nar-rower than in-terspaces.

rupelli.

p^3. Crossbands 17 to 24, interrupt-ed on belly, usually larger than inter-spaces, first band through snout.

petelli.

p^4. Crossbands 30, irregular, partly encir-cle body, wide as interspaces spotted on dor-sal portion.

punctato-fasciata.

p^5. Crossbands about 40, irregular, variable, part-ly encircle body, much nar-rower than pale inter-spaces and more as retic-ulations on dorsal and back. woodwardi.

f^7. Reddish brown, with large round pale spots, less numerous or absent be-low, 2 rows on dorsal, 1 row on anal. leucostigma.

f^8. Purplish brown, with numerous small white spots, ringed black. punctata.

e^2. Maxillary teeth biserial or triserial, inner row at least of 5 teeth, usu-ally 1 more.

q^1. Mouth cleft 3 4/5 to 4 1/5 in head; head 4 or less to vent; single peri-pheral series of teeth on premax-illary; brownish yellow, with small white spots, specks and marks. tile.

q^2. Mouth cleft 3 2/3 in head; head 4 1/5 to 5 to vent; peripheral series of teeth on pre-maxillary biser-ial; greenish olive, paler be-low. sathete.

q^3. Mouth cleft 3 1/2 in head; head 5 to 6 to vent; peripheral teeth of premaxillary biserial; yellow-ish brown, irreg-

ularly round-
ed, mostly
black confluent
spots, as hori-
zontal bands on
head.

polyuranodon.

q^4. Mouth cleft 1 4/5
to 3 in head;
head 2 3/5 to 4
to vent; peri-
pheral teeth on
premaxillary bi
-serial.

r^1. Body variably
spotted dark-
er or paler;
tail tipped
white in
young.

meleagris.

r^2. Brown, with 4 regular longitudinal series of pale blue spots size of eye; fins with narrow blue edge. stellifera.

r^3. Olive gray; snout white with brown band from edge of upper lip, over front nos-tril and orbit. callorhyncha.

d^2. Hind nostrils with elevated tubiform rim; snout long and narrow; gape wide, twice head; 35 to 40 teeth each side of mandible; color uniform. schismatorhyncha.

c^2. No vomerine teeth; body and fins with large light ocelli. prionodon.

b^{2}. Priodonophis. Head less than 9; some of teeth finely serrated on both edges of posteriorly only.

s^{1}. Vomerine teeth biserial or uniserial.

t^{1}. Color uniform.

u^{1}. Tail tapering, longer than rest of fish. angusticaudata.

u^{2}. Tail scarcely tapering, shorter than rest of fish.

v[1]. No black postocular blotch. moluccensis.

v^2. Large black postocular blotch. monostigma.

t^2. Body with cross-bands, distinct on belly; tail longer than rest of fish. reticularis.

s^2. No vomerine teeth; body with numerous white spots, fewer and larger posteriorly. nudivomer.

a^2. Thyrsoidea. Medial teeth in premaxillary plate 1 or 2, conic, not longer than those of peripheral series.

w^1. Maxillary teeth uniserial (biserial in very young). picta.

w^2. Maxillary teeth bi-serial.

thyrsoidea.

Lycodontis afer (Bloch)

Gymnothorax afer BLOCH, Naturg. Ausland. Fische, vol. 9, 1795, p. 85, pl. 417. "Guinea" (erroneous locality). -- SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 526 (India; Malabar). -- ?EVERMANN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 26, 1906 (1907), p. 56 (Bacon).

Gymnothorax afra BOULENGER, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1892, p. 135 (Muscat).

Muraenophis afra LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, pp. 628, 642 ("Guinea").

Muraena afra GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 123 (types of Muraena monochrous, Muraena proxima, Muraena boschii, Port Essington, Sydney). SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 6, 1877, p. 17 (Sydney). -- CASTELNAU, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 3, 1878, p. (355) 395 (Port Jackson). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 71; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 80. -- (REGAN) BEDOT, Rev. Suisse Zool., vol. 17, 1909, p. 169 (Amboyna).

Muraena prasina RICHARDSON, Ichth. Voy. Erebus and Terror, 1844-48, p. 93. Australia.

Thyrsoidea prasina KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 65 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 94 (compiled).

Gymnothorax prasinus STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 53, pt. 1, 1866, p. 473 (Port Jackson). -- MC CULLOCH, Austral. Mus. Mem., vol. 5, pt. 1, June 29, 1929, p. 71 (compiled).

Strophidon africana MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 214 (on LACÉPÈDE).

Muraena boschii BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. 25, 1853, p. (14) 52. Sibogha, Sumatra.

Muraena (Gymnothorax) boschi WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Australian Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 386 (Simalur; Roti).

Thyrsoidea boschi KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, 62 (reference).

Thyrsoidea baschii KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 87 (compiled).

Gymnothorax boschi BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 105, pl. (46) 190, fig. 3 (Sumatra, Java). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 218 (Zamboanga, Manila, Mindoro).

Gymnothorax boschii MC CULLOCH, Australian Mus. Mem., vol. 5, pt. 1, June 29, p. 71 (reference).

Muraena monochrous BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 10, 1856, p. 384. Ternate.

Gymnothorax monochrous BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neér-land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 106, pl. (47) 191, p. 2 (Singapore, Sumatra, Amboina).

Gymnothorax jacksoniensis BLEEKER, Versl. Kön. Meded. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, vol. 15, 1863, p. 450. Port Jackson.

?Gymnothorax aterrimus (not KAUP) BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1865, p. 244 (East Indies).

?Gymnothorax maculaepinnis(not BLEEKER) STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 53, pt. 1, 1866, p. 473 (Port Jackson).

?Muraena krullii HECTOR, Trans. New Zealand Inst. Sci., vol. 9, 1877, p. 468, pl. 8 (lower figure). Bay of Islands, New Zealand.

?Gymnothorax brunneus HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 212, fig. (teeth). Puerto Galera, Mindoro.

Depth 12 2/5; head 8 1/4, 3 7/8 to vent, width 2 3/4 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/8 in tail. Snout 5 in head; eye 9 1/2, 1 3/4 in snout, 1 1/4 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 3/4 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 in head; teeth in jaws uniserial, on premaxillary with row of 3 large depressible medial ones surrounded by outer series of 11 larger teeth than most of jaw teeth; vomerine teeth short, strong, uniserial; interorbital 7 1/2, low, depressed, little convex. Gill opening 1 1/2 in eye.

Dorsal origin about last third in postrictal space, fin higher than anal; caudal very short.

Uniform dark brown. Fin edges slightly and narrowly paler than rest of fins. Iris gray.

Arabia, India, Singapore, East Indies, Philippines, Western Australia, New South Wales, New Zealand?

8427. Pandanon Island. March 24, 1909. Length 498 mm.

Lycodontis hepatica (Rüppell)

Muraena hepatica RUPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1828, p. 120. Red Sea. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 122 (type of Muraena albomarginata). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 614 (Red Sea). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Savay); No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Savaii).

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Strophidon hepatica MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 215 (Red Sea).

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Gymnothorax hepaticus WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 57 (Kamiungan Ketjil, Ambon, Sal eyer).

Lycodontis hepatica FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 58, pl. 2 E (Honolulu); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

Muraena albrimarginata SCHLEGEL, Fauna Japonica, Poiss., pts. 10-14, 1846, p. 267, pl. 118. Japan (on drawing by Burger). -- BLEEKER, Act. Soc. Sci. Ind. Neérland., No. 3, vol. 3, 1857-58, p. 6 (Japan).

Muraena albomarginata BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Japan), vol. 25, 1853, p. 20 (reference).

Gymnothorax albimarginatus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 107, pl. (38) 182, fig. 2, pl. (40) 184, fig. 3 (Amboina, Buro). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 880 (compiled). -- SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 42, 1912, p. 492 (Okinawa).

Gymnothorax albomarginatus SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Savay). -- FRANZ, Abh. Kon. Bayer. Akad. Wiss., vol. 4, Suppl. Band 1, 1910, p. 16 (Aburatsubo).

?Muraena hemprichii KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 613. Red Sea.

Depth 23 1/2; head 8, 3 2/5 to vent, width 4 1/4 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/4 in tail. Snout 5 1/3 in head; eye 10, 1 3/4 in snout, 1 2/5 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends eye diameter behind eye, length 2 4/5 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws and on vomer; 3 large medial depressible teeth in row on premaxillary; several of anterior jaw teeth little enlarged; interorbital 8 1/5, nearly level, low. Gill opening long as eye.

Dorsal origin nearly median in postrictal space, fin much higher than anal or nearly high as body depth over vent.

Uniform brown, little paler on under surface of head, less so on belly. Fins little darker or dusky marginally but without white edges. Iris gray.

Red Sea, Madagascar, East Indies, Philippines, Rui Kui, Japan, Polynesia, Hawaii.

12531. Tilig, Lubang Island. July 14, 1908. Length 207 mm.

Lycodontis richardsonii (Bleeker)

Muraena richardsonii BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 3, 1852, p. 296. Wahai, Ceram; Padang, Sumatra. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Tonga Islands, Rarotonga). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (Tonga). -- STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 423 (Savaii); Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 71, pt. 1, 1907, p. 158 (Kalansiye). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 414 (New Lauenburg, Duke of York Island; Samoa; Society Islands; Friendly Islands; Fiji). -- KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 246 (Rora Bora, Society Islands).

Muraena richardsoni KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 62 (Borneo), -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 118 (types of Muraena ceramensis, Muraena richardsonii, Muraena scoliodon, Zanzibar, Amboina, (not Houtman's Abrolhos)). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1876, p. 38 (Tonga; Rarotonga). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Pulotikus at Benculen). -- GÜNTHER, Rep. Voy. Challenger, vol. 1, pt. 6, 1880, p. 54 (Cebu), p. 58 (Tahiti). -- (REGAN) BEDOT, Rev. Suisse Zool., vol. 17, 1909, p. 169 (Amboina).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) richardsoni WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 383, fig. 189 (head) (Sulu; Solor, Suma, Timor, Aur, Salawatti, Waigiu, types of Gymnothorax ceramensis, Gymnothorax scoliodon and Gymnothorax troscheli).

Gymnothorax richardsoni BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 100, pl. (42) 186, fig. 2 (Sumatra, Bali, Borneo, Ternate, Ceram, Goram, Timor). -- EVERMANN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 26, 1906 (1907), p. 56 (San Fabian). -- WEBER Siboga Exp., vol. 15, Fische, 1913, p. 60 (part). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 226, pl. 11, fig. 4 (Sitanki, Savao, Dumaguete, Cabalian, Caldera Bay, Puerto Galera).

Gymnothorax richarsonii KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 385 (Tahiti). -- JORDAN and RICHARDSON, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 27, 1907 (1908), p. 240 (Sibuyan).

Lycodontis richardsonii FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 58, pl. 2 D (Honolulu, Society Islands, Samoa, Bora Bora, types of Gymnothorax hilonis and Gymnothorax berndti); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

?Muraenophis lineata LESSON, Voy. Coquille, vol. 2, pt. 1, 1830, p. 127, pl. 11, fig. 1. Oualan.

Gymnothorax lineatus JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 202 (Apia).

?Muraenophis flaveola LESSON, Voy. Coquille, vol. 2, pt. 1, 1830, p. 128, pl. 11, fig. 2. Oualan.

Muraena grisea (not LACÉPÈDE) BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Bali, vol. 23, 1848 (1849), p. 11.

Muraena scoliodon BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. 25, 1853, p. 43. Siboga.

Gymnothorax scoliodon BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 101, pl. (40) 184, fig. 2 (Sumatra; Timor).

Muraena troschelii BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. 25, 1853, p. 45. Boleling, north Bali; Siboga.

Muraena troscheli KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 (reference).

Muraena ceramensis BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. 25, 1853, p. 51. Wahai, Ceram.

Thyrsoidea ceramensis KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 62 (Ceram, Java, Nouhiva); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 87 (compiled).

Gymnothorax ceramensis BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 101, pl. (33) 177, fig. 3 (Java, Celebes, Buro, Amboina, Ceram, Flores, Timor);

Versl. Kön. Meded. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1868, p. 300 (Waigui).

Gymnomuraena ceramensis SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 27 (Savay).

Muraena florisiana BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 6, 1854, p. 334. Larantuka, Flores.

Gymnothorax floresianus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 252 (reference).

Muraena vermicularis PETERS, Archiv Naturges., 1855, pt. 1, p. 271. Ibo, Querimba Island, Mozambique.

-- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 57 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 57 (copied).

Muraena diplodon PETERS, Archiv Naturges., 1855, pt. 1, p. 272. Querimba, Island.

Muraena venosa KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Timor (Leyden; no description or figure); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 68 (types).

Gymnothorax venosus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 272, (reference).

Thyrsoidea multifasciata KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 62. No locality; Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 87 (Moluccas).

Gymnothorax hilonis JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 167. Hilo; vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 102, pl. 18 (type).

Gymnothorax berndti SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518, pl. 4, fig. 8. Honolulu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 98, pl. 15, fig. 2 (type).

Depth 13 to 15 3/4; head 7 3/5 to 9 1/5, 3 2/5 to 3 3/5 to vent, width 3 1/8 to 4 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/8 to 1 3/5 in tail. Snout 6 to 6 1/2 in head; eye 8 to 9 1/2, 1 1/8 to 1 4/5 in snout, 1 to 1 1/4 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends eye diameters behind eye, length 2 1/3 to 2 1/2 in head; teeth in jaws and on vomer uniserial; premaxillary with row medially of 6 to 3 depressible long teeth surrounded by loup of 10 to dozen large teeth; interorbital 7 1/5 to 9, low, broadly convex. Gill opening slightly less than eye.

Dorsal origin opposite last 1/4 to 2/5 in postrictal space, fin little higher than anal.

Light or pale brown, finely marbled, mottled, clouded or blotched with darker brown, but markings nowhere sharply defined or greatly contrasted. Young with vertical fins more whitish marginally.

Sokotra, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Cargados Carajas, East Indies, Philippines, Western Australia, Melanesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

10528. Cebu market. August 17, 1909. Length 313 mm.

1 example. Reef opposite Cebu. April 5, 1908. Length 145 mm.

Lycodontis pseudothyrsoidea (Bleeker)

Muraena pseudothyrsoideus BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Neder-
land. Indië, vol. 3, 1852, p. (740) 778. Macassar.
-- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 (refer-
ence); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 65
(Macassar, Bombay, Pondicherry). -- GÜNTHER, Cat.
Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 112 (type). --
ALLEYNE and MACLEAY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South
Wales, vol. 1, 1876, p. 351 (Darnley Island). --
PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876, p. 446
(Mauritius). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878,
p. 670, pl. 173, fig. 3; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes,
vol. 1, 1889, p. 79. -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Admin-
istrat. Rep., 1925, p. F 15.

Muraena (Gymnothorax) pseudothyrsoidea WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 384 (Macassar; type; type of Muraena macassariensis).

Gymnothorax pseudothyrsoideus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 104, pl. (46) 190, fig. 2 (Celebes; Amboina). -- JORDAN ad RICHARDSON, Mem. Carnegie Mus., vol. 4, No. 4, Aug. 28, 1909, p. 173 (Takao). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 229 (Manila Bay).

Gymnothorax makassariensis BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 168. Macassar; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 104, pl. (37) 181, fig. 3 (type).

Muraena macassariensis GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 111 (China, Cape York, type of Thyrsoidea macrops). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Tahiti). -- POHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (Tahiti).

Muroena macassariensis ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 592 (Luzon, Manila, Malabar, Bulacan).

Lycodontis makassariensis FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

Muraena thyrsoidea (part) RUCHARDSON, Voy. Sulphur, Fishes, 1844, pl. 49, fig. 1 (not description).

Muraena elegantissima KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Australia? (Paris Museum; no description or figure); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 67 (type).

Thyrsoidea macrops KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60. No locality (Paris Museum: no description or figure); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 74. No locality.

Gymnothorax philippinus JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fishes., vol. 26, 1906 (1907), p. 7, fig. 2. Philippines.

Lycodontis undulatus (Lacepède)

Muraenophis undulata LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, pp. 629, 644, pl. 64, fig. 2. No locality (on COMMERSON).

Muraena undulata GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 110 (Zanzibar, East Indies, Hawaiian Islands, types of Muraena agassizi and Muraena blochii). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 615 (Red Sea). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Samoa; Viti Levu). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Singapore). -- ALLEYNE and MACLEAY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 1, 1876, p. 351 (Low Island). -- STREETS, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 7, 1877, p. 77 (Honolulu). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 671, pl. 171, fig. 5, pl. 173, fig. 2 (adult). -- KLUNZINGER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 80, pt. 1, 1879, p. 419 (Port Denison). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Samoa and Viti Levu). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39 (Viti and Samoa). --

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Muraena (Gymnothorax) undulata WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 376, fig. 186 (Kaimana, New Guinea; Waigiu).

Gymnothorax undulatus JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 426 (Honolulu). -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518 (Honolulu; off Molokai). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 98, pl. 16 (Honolulu; Samoa). -- STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 1423 (Upolu). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 9 (Tubuai, Austral Islands; Raiatea, Society Islands). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 202 (Apia; Hawaii). -- FOWLER and BEAN, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 21 (Hawaiian Islands). -- FOWLER, Copeia, No. 112, Nov. 20, 1922, p. 82 (Hawaii). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 220, pl. 9, fig. 1 (Calapan, Puerta Galera, Samal, Dumaguete, Tandag).

Lycodontis undulata FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 22, 1925, p. 5 (Guam), p. 31 (Samoa). -- FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 26, 1925, p. 7 (French Frigates Shoal; Wake Island). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 6 (Fanning, Tongareva, Howland, French Frigates Shoal, Tahiti, Nukuhiva, Raiatea, Tubuai, Guam, Marcus, Palmyra, Honomuni, Mauna Loa Bay, Apia, Fiji, Samoa, Fakarava, Society, Ascension, Apiang, types of Gymnothorax detactus, Gymnothorax zonipectus, Gymnothorax mucifer, Gymnothorax gracillicauda, Muraena acutirostris and Thyrsoidea kaupi); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (Honolulu; Suva).

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Thaerodontis stellata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 216 (copied).

Gymnothorax stellatus JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 199 (Apia). -- KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 248 (Fakarava, Paumotus). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 21 (Padang; Apia). -- SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 42, 1912, p. 492 (Okinawa; Samoa).

Muraena marmorata QUOY and GAIMARD, Voy. Uranie, Zool., 1824, p. 247. Waigui; Rawak.

Muraena cinerascens RÜPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1829, p. 120. Mohila, Red Sea. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 123 (copied). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 615 (compiled).

Thaerodontis cinerascens MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 216 (Mohila).

Gymnothorax cinerascens BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 72 (reference).

Muraenophis lineata LESSON, Voy. Coquille, Zool., vol. 2, 1830, p. 127, pl. 11, fig. . Oualan.

Muraena fimbriata BENNETT, Proc. Comm. Zool. Soc., vol. 1, 1831, p. 168. Mauritius. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (South Sea). -- GÜNTHER, Cruise of Curacoa, 1874, p. 410 (Solomons). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Benculen; Amboin River; Larentuka; Flores). -- ALLEYNE and MACLEAY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 1, 1876, p. 353 (Torres Straits). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 670, 172, fig. 1. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (South Sea). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39. (South Sea). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 4, 1889, p. 79. -- BARTLETT, Sarawak Gazette, vol. 26, No. 368, 1896, p. 180 (reference). -- BOULENGER, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 20, 1897, p. 374 (Rotuma). -- STEINDACHNER, Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 70, 1901, p. 514 (Samoa).

--(REGAN) BEDOT, Rev. Suisse Zool., vol. 17, 1909, p. 169 (Amboina).

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Gymnothorax fimbriata SEALE and BEAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 33, 1906, p. 239 (Zamboanga).

Muraena valenciennii EYDOUX and SOULEYET, Voy. Bonite, Zool., vol. 1, 1841, p. 207, pl. 8, fig. 1. Hawaiian Islands.

Muraena tenebrosa RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 84. No locality (probably Society Islands).

Thyrsoidea tenebrosa KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 78 (copied).

Gymnothorax tenebrosus SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 7 (Tahiti).

?Muraena stellifera RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 86. Madagascar. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 101 (type).

Thyrsoidea stellifer KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, p. 61 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 80 (copied).

Muraena bullata RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 86. Borneo.

Thyrsoidea bullata KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 61 (Java); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 81, pl. 12, fig. 60 (head) (copied). -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30.

Gymnothorax bullatus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neér-land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 91, pl. (27) 171, fig. 2, pl. (43) 187, fig. 3 (Sumatra, Java, Borneo, Ternate, Buro).

Muraena cancellata RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 87, pl. 46, fig. 1-5. Western Australia; Cape Upstart; Sumatra. -- MACLEAY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 8, 1883, p. 278 (Hood Bay, New Guinea).

Thyrsoidea cancellata KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60 (Australia; Cape Upstart; Hawaiian Islands); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 76, pl. 12, fig. 59 (head) (Cape Upstart, Sumatra, Western Australia). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 2, 1865, p. 9 (Samoa); No. 3, 1866, p. 12 (Samoa); No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa).

Thyrsoidea (Muraenophis cancellata GUICHENOT, Mem. Soc. Sci. Nat. Cherbourg, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1866, p. 147 (Madagascar).

Gymnothorax cancellatus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 93, pl. (32) 176, fig. 3, pl. (33)177, fig. 2, pl. (39) 183, fig. 1 (Sumatra, Batu, Singapore, Cocos, Amboina). -- KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 384 (Java; Manila). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Namusi).

?Muraena blochii BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. 25, 1853, p. 49. Siboga.

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Gymnothorax blochi BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 102, pl. (36), 180, fig. 2 (type).

Gymnothorax blochii SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Savay).

Muraena agassizi BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 8, 1855, p. (446) 458. Kokos Islands, Indian Ocean.

Muraena isingleenoides BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. 25, 1853, p. 48. Sibogha.

Thyrsoidea isingleenoides KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 74 (copied).

Gymnothorax isingleenoides BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 91, pl. (35) 179, fig. 1, pl. (36) 180, fig. 1 (Java, Sumatra, Bali, Nias, Ternate, Buro, Amboina, Ceram, Timor, Aru). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 29 (Pelew Islands; Kandavu). -- BLEEKER, Arch. Neerland., Sci. Nat. Harlem, vol. 13, 1878, p. 38 (New Guinea).

Muraena isingteena (not RICHARDSON) BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 9, 1855, p. 277.

Muraena isingleena PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (South Sea).

Muraena tingrina (CUVIER) KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 61. Java (name in synonymy).

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Lycodontis margaritophorus OGILBY, Mem. Queensland Mus., vol. 1, 1912, p. 34.

Muraena (Gymnothorax) margaritophora WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 382 (type).

Muraena nubila (not RICHARDSON) GÜNTHER, Fishes of Zanzibar, 1866, p. 127.

Muraena melanostigma KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 61. Java (name in synonymy).

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Lycodontis acutirostris FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 494, pl. 18, fig. 5 (type).

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Gymnothorax kaupii FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 21 (type).

Gymnothorax nubilus SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 2, No. 1, 1902 (1903), p. 7 (Tahiti).

Muraena microspila GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 109 (on example of Gymnothorax bullatus BLEEKER). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Savay); No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Savaii).

Lycodontis pseudothyrsoidea (not BLEEKER) FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 49 (Hawaiian Islands).

Gymnothorax pictus (not AHL) SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 2, No. 1, 1902 (1903), p. 6 (Tahiti).

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Gymnothorax zonipectus SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 2, No. 1, 1902 (1903), p. 7, pl., upper fig. Tahiti. -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 4, 1909, p. 224, pl. 11, fig. 3 (type of Gymnothorax indong). -- WHITLEY, Journ. Pan Pacific Res. Inst., vol. 1, No. 2, Jan. March 1927, p. 8 (Rotuma).

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Gymnothorax mucifer SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 519, pl. 5, fig. 9. Honolulu.

Gymnothorax talofa (JORDAN and STARKS) JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 201, fig. 7. Apia.

Gymnothorax philippinus JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 26, 1906 (1907), p. 7, fig. 2. Cavite.

Gymnothorax wakanourae TANAKA, Journ. College Sci. Tokyo, vol. 23, art. 7, March 15, 1908, p. 24, pl. 2, fig. 4. Wakanoura, Kii.

Gymnothorax indong SEALE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 4, 1909, p. 491. Zamboanga.

Gymnothorax odiosus SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 35, 1910, p. 94. Kagoshima, Japan; vol. 42, 1912, p. 407, pl. 51, fig. 2 (type).

Gymnothorax favagineus (not SCHNEIDER) WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 61 (Jedan Island east of Aru).

Gymnothorax sagenodeta (not RICHARDSON) WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 61 (Saleyer).

Depth 12 1/3 to 21 2/3; head 5 4/5 to 8, 3 1/4 to 3 2/3 to vent, width 3 to 4 1/2 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 to 1 1/4 in tail. Snout 5 to 6 in head; eye 7 2/3 to 11 1/2, 1 2/5 to 2 in snout, slightly greater than interorbital in young to 1 1/3 with age; mouth cleft extends 1 1/8 to 2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 to 2 1/4 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws and on vomer, young with inner maxillary row medially of 1 to 3 large depressible teeth; premaxillary with row of 3 large median depressible teeth surrounded by outer loup of dozen smaller ones, though larger than maxillaries; interorbital 7 to 11 1/4, convex. Gill opening long as eye.

Brown, aften paler below. Very variable with several irregular rows longitudinally of variable rounded or oval black spots, often larger than eye, or smaller or absent from head or on tail often as transverse rows. Sometimes spots confluent, densely reticulated or marbled with brown or pale intervening spaces may be contracted to form strong contrasted network of light or even whitish lines. Fins sometimes w ith light border.

Red Sea, Arabia, Zanzibar, Natal, Mauritius, Madagascar, India, Ceylong, Singapore, East Indies, Philippines, China, Formosa, Riu Kui, Japan, Queensland, Western Australia, Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

23033. Batan Island. July 22, 1909. Length 164 mm.

8409. Cebu market. March 19, 1909. Length 813 mm.

8414. Cebu market. March 20, 1909. Length 690 mm.

9316. Cebu market. August 16, 1909. Length 602 mm.

9375. Cebu market. August 29, 1909. Length 570 mm.

1411 to 14116, 14118. Great Tobea Island. December 15, 1909. Length 174 to 310 mm.

5141. D. 5174. Jolo Light, E. 2.60 miles (N. 6° 3' 45" W. 120°57'), vicinity of Jolo. In 20 fathoms. March 5, 1908. Length 528 mm.

7047. Jolo, lobster pots. March 7, 1908. Length 260 mm.

22369. Lampinigan Island, south of Zamboanga. September 11, 1909. Length 241 mm.

9213. Mahinog River, Camiguin Island. August 3, 1909. Length 535 mm.

8452. Maribojoc, Bohol. March 26, 1909. Length 570 mm.

23021. Marongas Island. February 10, 1908. Length 162 to 245 mm.

4489. D. 5164. Observation Island, S. 82° W., 8 miles (N. 5°1'40" E. 119°52'20"), Sulu Archipelago, Tawi Tawi Group. In 18 fathoms. February 24, 1908. Length 160 mm.

23008. Pilas Island. September 12, 1909. Length 144 mm.

12642. Port Palapag. June 3, 1909. Length 287.mm.

6600. Simaluc Sibi Sibi Island. September 23, 1909. Length 250 mm.

20110. Ulugan Bay near Baheli River mouth, Palawan. December 28, 1908. Length 438.mm.

A796. Zamboanga market. October 6, 1909. Length 750 mm.

A1610. Naha, Rui Kiu. February 7, 1910. Length 668 mm.

6271. Medio Island, Galera Bay. June 9, 1908. Length 683 mm. Greatly like Bleeker's figure of Gymnothorax agassizi, the long slender jaws not completely closing and the dark coloration, uniformly and obscurely mottled darker.

916 A. N. S. P. Hawaiian Islands. Dr. J. K. Townsend. Length 407 mm. Type of Thyrsoidea kaupi.

998 A. N. S. P. Pacific Ocean. Dr. J. K. Townsend. Length 585 mm. Type of Muraena acutirostris.

1 example A. N. S. P. Hawaiian Islands. Dr. W. H. Jones. Length 451 mm.

1 example A. N. S. P. Hawaiian Islands. Dr. J. K. Townsend. Length 776 mm. As Gymnothorax pseudothyrsoidea.

1 example A. N. S. P. Hawaiian Islands. Bureau of Fisheries. Length 853 mm.

Lycodontis favaginea (Schneider)

Gymnothorax favaginea SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 525, pl. 105. Tranquebar. -- DAY, Fishes of Malabar, 1865, p. 250 (reference). -- GILCHRIST and THOMPSON, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, pt. 4, 1917, p. 303 (compiled). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci. vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 222, pl. 11, fig. 2 (Manila).

Gymnothorax favagineus SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 1, 1864, p. 10 (South Sea); No. 3, 1866, p. 12 (Samoa). -- WHITLEY, Journ. Pan Pacific Res. Inst., vol. 2, No. 1, Jan. March 1927, p. 4 (Fiji). -- HERRE and MYERS, Lignan Sci. Journ., vol. 10, Nos. 2-3, Aug. 1931, p. 249 (Hong Kong).

Muraena favaginea KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 ("Paris Museum"); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 68 (copied). -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Administrat. Rep. 1905, p. F. 15.

Muraena (Gymnothorax) favaginea WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 378, fig. 187 (Doreh, New Guinea).

Lycodontis favaginea FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 57 (Society Islands; Rangiroa); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (Hervey Islands).

Muraena isingteena RICHARDSON, Voy. Sulphur, Fishes, 1844, p. 108, pl. 48, fig. 1. China Seas; Canton.

Gymnothorax isingteena BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 92, pl. (37) 181, fig. 1 (Celebes); Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference).

Muraena isingleena RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 86 (Canton). -- KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 75, pl. 11, fig. 57 (head) (China). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Lagos).

Muraena tessellata RICHARDSON, Voy. Sulphur, Fishes, 1844, p. 109, pl. 55, figs. 5-8. Southern Seas (locality unknown); Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 88 (Southern Seas?). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 10 (type of Muraena python, Muraena tessellata, Muraena isingteens, Zanzibar, East Indies, Mauritius). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (South Sea). -- PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876, p. 446 (Mauritius). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 670, pl. 171, fig. 4 (Vizagapatam). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (South Sea). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39 (South Sea). -- BOULENGER, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1889, p. 242 (Muscat). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 78. -- STEINDACHNER, Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 71, pt. 1, 1907, p. 158 (Bal Haf, Abd el Kuri west of Socotra).

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Muroena tessellata ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 592 (Luzon, Cavite, Santa Cruz).

Thyrsoidea tessellata KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 76 (copied).

Gymnothorax tessellatus BLEEKER, Act. Soc. Sci. Ind. Neerland., No. 2, vol. 6, 1859, p. 3 (Doreh, New Guinea); Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 93, pl, (27) 171, fig. 3, pl. (28) 172, fig. 1 (Sumatra, Cocos, Batu, Singapore, Duizend Islands, Java, Aru); Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). -- WAITE, Records Austral Mus., vol. 5, 1905, p. 3 (Paanopu, Ocean Island, Gilberts). -- KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., vol. 26, 1911, p. 247 (Rangiroa, Paumotus).

Thaerodontis reticulata (not SCHNEIDER) MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, pp. 188, 216, pl. 7, fig. 1 (Malay coast at Sandowy).

Muraena python Kaup, Archiv Naturg., vol. 22, pt. 1, 1856, p. 58. Africo (no description or figure); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 68, pl. 10, fig. 52 (head) Africa.

Muraena tessellata var. intermedia GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 107. No locality (no figure or description).

Lycodontis chilospila (Bleeker)

Gymnothorax chilospilus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1865, p. 52. Benculen, Sumatra; Amboina; Wahai, Ceram; Kajeli, Buru; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 103, pl. (45) 189, fig. 2 (Sumatra, Amboina, Ceram, Buro). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 223, pl. 11, fig. 1 (type of Gymnothorax samalensis; Leyte).

Muraena chilospilus GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 415 (Tahiti, Rarotonga, Solomons).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) chilospilus WEBER and BEAUFORT, F ishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 379, fig. 188 (head) (types; WEBER'S materials).

Lycodontis chilospila FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 58 (Society Islands; Samoa).

?Muraena j. mülleri KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Molucca Archipelago (Leyden; no description or figure).

Muraena mulleri KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 69, pl. 11, fig. 54 (head). Malayan Archipelago (Leyden Museum).

Muraena mülleri MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Amboina River).

Gymnothorax mülleri BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 103, pl. (39) 182, fig. 4 (copied).

Gymnothorax sagenodeta (not RICHARDSON) BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 100, pl. (40) 184, fig. 4 (Amboina).

Muraena nubila (not RICHARDSON) GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 117 (type of Muraena chilospilus; Amboyna). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406.

Gymnothorax samalensis SEALE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 4, 1909, p. 492. Samal Island, Mindanao.

Gymnothorax richardsoni (not LESSON) WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 60 (Savu, Borneo Bank, Sulu, Beo, Dana, Galewo Strait, Kabaena, Saleyer, Elat, Timor).

Gymnothorax richardsonii BEAUFORT, Bijd. Dierk., pt. 19, 1913, p. 100 (Saonek, Waigui).

Depth 15 1/4 to 17; head 6 2/3 to 8 1/8, 3 1/5 to 3 2/5 to vent, width 3 3/4 to 4 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 to 1 1/3 in tail. Snout 5 to 5 3/4 in head; eye 6 2/3 to 8, 1 1/4 to 1 3/5 in snout, little greater to equal to interorbital; mouth cleft extends 3/4 to 1 eye diameter behind eye, length 2 1/5 to 2 1/2 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws and in irregular or double series on vomer; 3 large canines in row on premaxillary, depressible, often posterior largest, surrounded by loup of teeth little small though larger than those of maxillaries; interorbital 7 3/4 to 8, low, little convex. Gill opening 3/5 to 1 in eye.

Dorsal origin opposite last third in postrictal space, little higher than anal and continuous with very short caudal.

Brown or light brown, finely mottled or speckled with darker, often with obscurely defined cross bands, most contrasted on back, tail and fins. Often in small examples pale spots more or less whitish and scattered about dark blotches. Dark blotches often smaller or more broken in young so vertical fins show more whitish. In young whitish still more evident on vertical fins and spots reduced to short parallel brown lines vertically or transversely on fins. Or dark brown of body white spots large, few and in about 3 series.

These examples also with greater or all lower surface of head whitish, which gradually invaded with brown spots or specks with age so largest examples retain but one or 2 small white spots below eye or at base of mandible.

East Indies, Philippines, Melanesia, Polynesia.

13166. Cataingan Bay, east of Masbate. April 17, 1908. Length 188 mm.

23022. Marongas Island. February 10, 1908. Length 203 mm.

D. 5156. Observation Island, N. 70° W., 6.40 miles (N. 4° 58' 20" E. 119° 50' 30"), Sulu Archipelago, Tawi Tawi Group. In 9 fathoms. February 24, 1908. Length 52 to 125 mm. 6 examples.

16637. D. 5146. Sulade Island (E.), N. 18° W., 3.40 miles (N. 5° 46' 40" E. 120° 48' 50"), Sulu Archipelago, vicinity of Siasi. In 24 fathoms. February 16, 1908. Length 174 mm.

18234. Basa Reef, Gulf of Boni, Celebes. December 17, 1909. Length 212 mm.

Lycodontis nubila (Richardson)

Muraena nubila RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 81, pl. 46, figs. 6-10. Australia; Mauritius. -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 57 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 57, pl. 9, fig. 48 (head) (copied). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 117 (type); Cruise of Curacoa, Brenchley, 1873, p. 410 (Solomons). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Amboina Rever). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Rarotonga). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (Rarotonga). -- ISHIKAWA and MATSUURA, Prelim. Cat. Fish. Mus. Tokyo, 1897, p. 5. -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 416 (Norfolk and Raoul Islands).

Muroena nubila ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 593 (Luzon, Cavite, Santa Cruz).

Lycodontis nubila FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 58 (compiled); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

Muraena euptera GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 122. Raoul Island.

Lycodontis sagenodeta (Richardson)

Muraena sagenodeta RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844048, p. 81. Mauritius. -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 57 (reference). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 117 (type).

Muraena sagenedota KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 59 (type).

Gymnothorax segenodeta BLEEKER, Fech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference).

Lycodontis melanospila (Bleeker)

Muraena melanospilos BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 9, 1855, p. (259) 279. Siboga, Sumatra.

Muraena melanospila GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 109 (type). -- ALLEYNE and MACLEAY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 1, 1876, p. 353 (Darnley Island); vol. 6, 1881, p. 283 (copied). -- BARTLETT, Sarawak Gazette, vol. 26, No. 368, 1896, p. 180 (Pulo Satang).

Muroena melanospila ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 52 (Luzon).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) melanospilus WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 375 (type).

Gymnothorax melanospilus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 90, pl. (42) 186, fig. 1 (Sumatra; Buro).

Gymnothorax melanospilos MC CULLOCH, Austral. Mus. Mem., vol. 5, pt. 1, June 29, 1929, p. 73 (reference).

Gymnothorax pescadoris JORDAN and EVERMANN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 25, 1902, p. 326, fig. 8. Hokoto or Pescadores Islands. -- JORDAN and RICHARDSON, Mem. Carnegie Mus., vol. 4, No. 4, 1909, p. 173, fig. 9 (copied).

Lycodontis reevesii (Richardson)

Muraena reevesii RICHARDSON, Voy. Sulphur, Fishes, 1844, p. 109, pl. 48, fig. 2. China Seas. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 107 (Japan). -- PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876, p. 446 (Mauritius).

Muraena reevesi SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Samoa).

Thyrsoidea revesii SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 2, 1865, p. 9 (Samoa).

Thyrsoidea reevesii SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa).

Thyrsoidea reevesi SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Samoa).

Gymnothorax reevesi JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 882 (copied).

Lycodontis reevesii FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 58 (copied); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

Lycodontis tigrina (Rüppell)

Muraena tigrina RÜPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1828, p. 118, pl. 30, fig. 2. Mohila. -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fishes Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 69 (copied). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 108 (compiled).

Gymnothorax tigrina BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1856, p. 73 (reference).

Lycodontis flavimarginata (Rüppell)

Muraena flavimarginata RÜPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1828, p. 119, pl. 30, fig. 3. Red Sea; Neue Wirbelth., Fische, 1835, p. 85 (reference). -- MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 214 (Red Sea). -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Boubon (Paris Museum); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 67 (Bourbon). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 94 (reference). -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30. -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 615 (compiled). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 671; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 80.

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Muraena (Gymnothorax) flavimarginata WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 374 (Patjitan, Ambon, Ceram, Humbolt Bay, types of Gymnothorax formosus, Gymnothorax javanicus, Gymnothorax rhodocephalus).

Thaerodontis flavimarginata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 217 (Red Sea).

Gymnothorax flavimarginatus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 95, pl. (32) 176, fig. 2, pl. (34) 178, fig. 3 (Batu, Sumatra, Java, Amboina); Arch. Neerland. Sci. Nat. Harlem, vol. 13, 1878, p. 38 (New Guinea). -- FOWLER, Journ. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, ser. 2, vol. 12, 1904, p. (Padang). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), pp. 99, 102, pl. 17 (Padang example; Honolulu, Hilo, Waikiki). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 22 (Padang examples). -- GILCHRIST and THOMPSON, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, pt. 4, 1917, p. 303 (compiled). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 216 (Neonja, Zamboanga, Balabac).

Gymnothorax flavomarginatus WAITE, Austral. Mus. Records, vol. 5, 1903, p. 3 (Poanopa, Ocean Island, Gilberts). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher, vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 200 (Apia). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, pt. 1, 1906, p. 9 (Tubuai, Austral Islands, Raiatea, Society Islands). -- JORDAN and RICHARDSON, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 27, 1907 (1908), p. 240 (Calayan).

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Lycodontis flavomaringata FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 22, 1925, p. 31 (Samoa). -- FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 26, 1925, p. 6 (Laysan; Wake Island). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 6 (Honolulu); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 55, pl. 2 C (Honolulu, Wake Island, Laysan, Tubuai, Raiatea, Rarotonga, Samoa, Hawaii, Society Islands, Apiang types of Gymnothorax thalassopterus); Mem., vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (Honolulu); Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 81, art. 8, 1932, p. 2 (Nina-foon).

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Strophidon grisea MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 214 (New Britain).

Thyrsoidea grisea KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 64 (Dkedda, Mauritius, Bourbon); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 92, pl. 13, fig. 6 (head) (type, Djedda, Mauritius). -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30.

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?Muraena geometrica RÜPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1828, p. 118, pl. 30, fig. 1. Massaua, Red Sea. -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 617 (types; type of Muraena bilineata). -- BORSIERI, Ann. Mus. Civ. Stor. Nat. Genova, vol. 41, 1904, p. 219 (Dissei, Red Sea).

Dalophis geometrica MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 213 (Red Sea).

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Muraena pratbernon RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 84. Darnley Island.

Muraena batuensis BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 12, 1865, p. (231) 241. Batu Islands.

Gymnothorax batuensis FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 22 (Apia); Copeia, No. 112, Nov. 20, 1922, p. 82 (Hawaii).

Muraena mauritiana KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Bourbon; Mauritius (Paris Museum; no description or figure); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 65 (Mauritius; Bourbon). -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 94 (reference).

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Muraena javanica BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 19, 1859, p. (332) 347. Patjitan, Java. -- KLUNZINGER, Vern. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 616 (Red Sea).

Gymnothorax javanicus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêr-land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 95, pl. (35) 179, fig. 2 (type). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat, Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Kandavu). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 200 (Apia).

Gymnothorax rhodocephalus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1864, p. 50. Amboina. -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 6, No. 1, 1906, p. 6 (Rarotonga, Cook Islands).

Gymnothorax formosus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1864, p. 51. Wahai, Ceram; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 94, pl. (30) 174 fig. 1 (type).

Muraena formosa GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 111 (type; type of Gymnothorax rhodocephalus). -- WAITE, Mem. Austral. Mus., No. 3, 1897, p. 195 (Funafuti).

Gymnothorax favagineus (not SCHNEIDER) SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 7 (Fate, New Hebrides). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 199 (Pago Pago).

Gymnothorax griseobadius SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Savay).

Gymnothorax buroensis (not BLEEKER) SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Samoa). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 200 (Apia; Kusaie).

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?Muraena mauritiana BLEEKER, Arch. Neérland. Sci. Nat. Harlem, vol. 13, 1878, p. 38 (New Guinea).

Gymnothorax thalassopterus JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 427, pl. 2. Honolulu. -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 27, 1904, p. 942 (Honolulu).

Depth 16 1/3 to 18; head 8 2/3 to 8 7/8, 3 1/2 to 3 7/8, to vent, width 2 2/3 to 4; combined head and trunk 1 to 1 1/10 in tail. Snout 5 2/3 to 6 in head; eye 8 1/2 to 10, 1 2/5 to 1 3/4 in snout, 1 to 1 1/5 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 to 1/2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 1/4 to 3 1/8 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws, with inner medial series of 1 to 3 small ones in maxillary; vomerine teeth irregularly uniserial or biserial; premaxillary with medial row of 2 or 3 fang like teeth with surrounding loup of 8 to 9 rather long teeth though shorter than maxillaries; interorbital 6 to 8 2/3, convex. Gill opening equals eye.

Dorsal origin about last fourth of postrictal space or over gill opening, fin rather high, much more so than anal.

Yellowish to brown, with crowded dark brown spots, ill defined and usually obscure. When formed into blotches of moderate size often yellowish ground color prominent. Rictus sometimes with dark blotch. Larger blackish blotch on border alway around gill opening. Sometimes dorsal and anal with light or yellowish border.

Red Sea, Zanzibar, Natal, Bourbon, Mauritius, Madagascar, Seychelles, India, East Indies, Philippines, Formosa, Queensland, Melanèsia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

8173. Alibijaban Island, Ragay Gulf, Luzon. March 6, 1909. Length 1394 mm.

9320. Cebu market. August 17, 1909. Length 958 mm.

9379. Cebu market. August 31, 1909. Length 643 mm.

6795. Malanipa Island, east of Zamboanga. September 8, 1909. Length 914 mm.

23007. Pilas Island. September 12, 1909. Length 209 mm.

A796. Zamboanga market. October 6, 1909. Length 806 mm.

A1617. Naha, Rui Kui. February 7, 1910. Length 760 mm.

Lycodontis kidado (Schlegel)

Muraena kidako SCHLEGEL, Fauna Japonica, Poiss., pts. 10-14, 1846, p. 266, pl. 117. Bay of Nagasaki. -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Japan), vol. 25, 1852, p. 20 (reference). -- BREVOORT, Narr. Exped. China Japan, Perry, vol. 2, 1856, p. 282, pl. 11, fig. 1 (Simoda).

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Lycodontis kidako FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., vol. 26, 1925, p. 6 (Necker, French Frigates Shoal, Laysan). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 56 (Honolulu, Laysan, Necker, French Frigates Shoal, type of Gymnothorax steindachneri).

Muraena similis RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 83. Polynesia, Red Sea, Japan. -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, p. 78 (reference). -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 63 (copied).

Muraena nubila (not RICHARDSON) GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 117 (Japan, Formosa).

Muraena flavomarginata (not RUPPELL) GÜNTHER, Rep. Voy. Challenger, vol. 1, 1880, p. 61 (Honolulu). -- STEINDACHNER, Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 70, 1901, p. 514, pl. 6, fig. 3 (Laysan).

Gymnothorax steindachneri JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 166. Honolulu. -- JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 426 (Honolulu). -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 27, 1904, p. 942 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 101, fig. 28 (Honolulu).

Muraena steindachneri GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 417 (Hawaiian Islands).

Lycodontis mieroszewskii (Steindachner)

Muraena mieroszewskii STEINDACHNER, Ann. Naturhist. Hofmus. Wien, vol. 2, 1898, p. 222. Kobe; Hiago; Nagasaki.

Gymnothorax mieroszewskii JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 882 (copied).

Lycodontis chlamydata (Snyder)

Gymnothorax chlamydatus SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 35, 1910, p. 94. Naha, Rui Kiu; vol. 42, 1912, p. 493, pl. 62, fig. 1 (types).

Lycodontis rupelli (Mc Clelland)

Dalophis rupelliae MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 213 (on RÜPPELL).

Muraena ruppellii GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 104 (Moluccas; Borneo). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 615 (type of Muraena umbrostigma). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 669.-- STEINDACHNER, Abh. Senchenberg. Naturf. Ges., vol. 25, 1901, p. 458. -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 412 (Ponape, Samoa, Kandavu).

Muraena ruppellii KÁROLI, Termesz. Füzetek. Budapest, vol. 5, 1881, p. 184 (Ceylon).

Muraena rueppellii DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 77.

Muraena rupelliae BARTLETT, Sarawak Gazette, vol. 26, No. 368, 1896 (reference).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) ruppelli WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 372 (Humboldt Bay and German New Guinea; Rotti; Bleeker's specimens).

Gymnothorax ruppelliae KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 247 (Rangiroa, Paumotus).

Lycodontis ruppelli FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 55 (Apiang; Rangiroa); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (reference); Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 81, art. 8, 1932, p. 3 (Ninafoon).

Muraenophis colubrina (not BODDAERT) LACÉPĒDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, pp. 627, 641, pl. 19, fig. 1. New Britain; Amboina.

Muraena colubrina RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 88, pl. 19, fig. 1 (New Britain, Amboina, Polynesia).

Thyrsoidea colubrina KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 61 (Society Islands); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 84 (Society Islands).

Muraena reticulata (not BLOCH) RUPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1828, p. 117 (part). -- RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 82 (Indian Ocean; Borneo).

Gymnothorax reticulatus SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 3, 1866, p. 12 (Samoa); No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa); No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Kandavu).

Muraena fasciata (SOLANDER) RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 88. Society Islands (name in synonymy).

Muraena vittata (SOLANDER) RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 89. Society Islands (name in synonymy).

Gymnothorax reticularis (not BLOCH) BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 98, pl. (33) 177, fig. 1, pl. (39) 183, fig. 2, pl. (37) 181, fig. 4 (Java, Cocos, Sumatra, Batu, Borneo, Celebes Buro, Amboina, Ceram, Ternate, Timor, Flores).

Muraena reticularis SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Kandavu). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (Kandavu). -- STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 1423 (Upolu).

Muraena bicolor (REINWHARDT) BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 99 (name in synonymy).

Depth 19; head 7 1/3, 3 1/4 to vent, width 4 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/4 in tail. Snout 5 1/2 in head; eye 8, 1 1/3 in snout, little greater than interorbital; mouth cleft extends 3/4 eye diameter behind eye, length 2 2/3 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws, anteriorly largest and inner medial maxillary series of 2 or 3 teeth; 3 large teeth in medial row of premaxillary surrounded by loup of 10 or 11 smaller though larger than maxillary series; vomerine series small, uniserial; interorbital 7 1/2, low, convex. Gill opening about 4/5 of eye.

Dorsal origin midway in postrictal space, fin much higher than anal.

Whitish, with 17 black cross bands, each slightly narrower than pale interspaces. Black cross bands more or less expanding below so those on trunk more or less connected medially, inclusive also of first one on anal fin. Iris gray.

Red Sea, India, Ceylon, Andamans, East Indies, Micronesia, Melanesia, Polynesia.

22364. Basa Reef, Gulf of Boni, Celebes. December 17, 1909. Length 121 mm. Agrees with Bleeker's figure of Gymnothorax reticularis.

Lycodontis petelli (Bleeker)

Muraena petelli BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 11, 1856, p. (82) 84. Melang, Java. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 105 (type; Mauritius). -- PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876, p. 446 (Mauritius). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 59 (Samoa). -- BOULENGER, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 20, 1897, p. 374 (Rotuma). -- (REGAN) BEDOT, Rev. Suisse Zool., vol. 17, 1909, p. 169 (Amboina). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 412 (Samoa; Rotuma).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) petelli WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 372 (BLEEKER'S specimen).

Gymnothorax petelli BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêr-
land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 99, pl. (32) 176, fig. 1
(Java; Amboina). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy,
No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Savay). -- BLEEKER, Rech. Faune
Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). --
PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40
(South Sea). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S.
Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 100,
fig. 27 (Honolulu; Samoa). -- JORDAN and SEALE,
Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 197
(Pago Pago; Apia). -- JORDAN and RICHARDSON, Bull.
Bur. Fisher., vol. 27, 1907 (1908), p. 240 (Balayan).

Lycodontis petelli FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 25, 1925, p. 6 (Wake Island). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 28, 1927, p. 6 (Tongareva, Baker Island, Honolulu); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 54 (Honolulu, Wake Island, Samoa, Apiang, types of Gymnothorax leucacme and Gymnothorax waialuae); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (reference).

Muraena nubila (part) RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 81 (Mauritius).

Muraena interrupta KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58. Red Sea (name only); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 67, pl. 10, fig. 51 (head) (Red Sea).

Gymnothorax leucacme JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 427, fig. 7. Honolulu. -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518, pl. 6, fig. 1 (Honolulu).

Gymnothorax waialuae SNYDER, Bu 11. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 520, pl. 6, fig. 11. Waialua Bay, Oahu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905, p. 97, pl. 13, fig. 1 (type).

Depth 16 3/4 to 17 1/3; head 8 to 9 1/3, 4 1/2 to vent, width 3 1/5, to 3 3/5 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/3 in tail. Snout 4 to 4 3/4 in head; eye 8 to 8 1/3, 1 2/3 to 2 in snout, equals interorbital; mouth cleft extends eye diameter behind eye, length 2 to 2 1/6 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws and on vomer, with inner medial maxillary row of 3 depressible ones; row of 3 large medial fangs on premaxillary, with 8 rather large teeth forming surrounding loup though little smaller than medial fangs larger than maxillary teeth; interorbital 7 1/2 to 8 1/2, low, slightly convex. Gill opening equals eye.

Dorsal origin median in postrictal space, fin high or much higher than low anal and very small caudal.

Light brown with 18 to 21 broad dark cross bands, usually wider than interspaces, incomplete on belly. Variably dark spot in most pale intervals along dorsal and sometimes on anal. Iris gray.

Red Sea, Mauritius, East Indies, Philippines, Rui-Kui, Melanesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

11111. Mahinog, Camiguin Island. August 2, 1909. Length 406 mm.

15643. Sablayan, Mindoro. December 13, 1908. Length 375 mm.

Lycodontis punctato-fasciata (Bleeker)

Gymnothorax punctato-fasciatus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 167 (on Muraena catenata). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 28, 1907, p. 772 (Negros). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 215 (Cagayan de Misamis and Cebu).

Gymnothorax punctatofasciatus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 99 (31) 175, fig. 4 (Amboina, Buro, Ceram). -- TANAKA, Figs. Descr. Fishes of Japan, vol. 12, July 31, 1913, p. 212, figs. 216 to 218 (Keelung, Formosa).

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Muraena punctatofasciata MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Amboina River). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 669, pl. 169, fig. 4 (Madras); Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 78.

Muroena punctato-fasciata ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 591 (Luzon, Manila Bay, Cebu).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) punctatofasciata WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 371 (locality unknown).

Muraena catenata (not BLOCH) BLEEKER, Act. Soc. Sci. Ind. Neerland., (Amboyna), vol. 1, 1856, p. 66 (Amboina).

Depth 24 7/8 to 31 2/3; head 9 to 9 1/4, 3 7/8 to 4 to vent, width 4 1/5 to 4 1/2 its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/3 to 1 2/5 in tail. Snout 6 1/5 to 7 1/4 in head; eye 9 to 10 3/4, 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 in snout, 1 1/4 to 1 1/3 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 2/5 to 1 1/2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 1/2 to 3 in head; teeth uniserial in jaws and on vomer, in young inner row of 2 or 3 medial maxillary teeth; 2 or 3 large fangs in row on premaxillary, surrounded by 10 or a dozen large teeth than in maxillaries, also first 6 larger than other mandibulars; interorbital 7 1/2 to 9 1/2, low, only very slightly convex. Gill opening subequal with eye.

Dorsal origin at last 1/3 to 2/5 in postrictal, fin higher than anal.

Light brown, paler below, with 30 to 40 variable or irregular dark to blackish brown cross bands, sometimes forked, extending on fins, and wider or narrower than pale interspaces. Some or all may be complete, encircle body or even appear as broken blotches. Within pale interspaces often numerous scattered variable small spots or dots, mostly inconspicuous on account of their small size and crowded appearance, not extending on lower surface of body.

Zanzibar, India, East Indies, Philippines, Formosa.

A handsome species, attractively variegated with dark cross-bands and fine or small dots.

21776, 21777. Cebu market. March 20, 1909. Length 208 to 227mm.

22993, 22994. Cebu market. March 22, 1909. Length 320 to 370 mm.

21753. Cebu market. March 28, 1909. Length 313 mm.

5358, 18225, 18226, 18228. Cebu market. April 5, 1908. Length 316 to 333 mm.

10533. Cebu market. May 22, 1908. Length 270 mm.

6463. Cebu market. August 13, 1909. Length 225 mm.

10530. Cebu market. August 17, 1909. Length 330 mm.

10958. Cebu market. August 25, 1909. Length 250 mm.

8149 to 8151. Cebu market. August 29, 1909. Length 210 to 365 mm.

D. 5253. Linao Point, N. 22° E., 1.5 miles (N. 7° 4' 48" E. 125° 39' 38"), Gulf of Davao. In 28 fathoms. May 18, 1908. Length 64 to 134 mm. 4 examples.

12530. Tilig, Lubang Island. July 14, 1908. Length 388 mm.

Lycodontis woodwardi (Mc Culloch)

Gymnothorax woodwardi MC CULLOCH, Records Western Austral. Mus., vol. 1, 1912, p. 80, fig. 1. Near Fremantle, Houtmans Abrolhos and Pelsart Island, Western Australia.

Muraena nubila (part) RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 81 (Houtmans Abrolhos).

Muraena richardsoni (not BLEEKER) GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, 118 (RICHARDSON'S material).

Gymnothorax punctatofasciatus (not BLEEKER) WAITE, Records Austral. Mus., vol. 6, 1905, p. 58.

Depth 18 3/5; head 8, 3 2/3 to vent; combined head and trunk 1 1/4 in tail. Snout 5 1/2 in head; eye 9 1/2, 1 2/3 in snout, almost equals interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 3/4 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 1/10 in head; teeth uniserial, upper small anteriorly, then large and decreasing again backwards; young with 2 large inner medial teeth on each maxillary; 1 or 2 large median depressible premaxillary fangs; small uniserial vomerine teeth mostly rounded. Gill opening about 3/4 of eye.

Dorsal origin midway in postrictal space, fin little higher than anal.

Light brown, darker posteriorly, with wide meshed network of dark lines on upper half of body. Dark line near back begins with dorsal and follows it until lost on tail, little distinct in young. Some black lines extend from behind mouth toward gill opening, head otherwise plain. Anteriorly dorsal and anal marked like body, posteriorly very dark with whitish margins. Length 325 to 720 mm.

(Mc Culloch.)

Western Australia.

Lycodontis leucostigma (Jordan and Richardson)

Gymnothorax leucostigma JORDAN and RICHARDSON, Mem. Carnegie Mus., vol. 4, No. 4, 1911, p. 174, pl. 68. Takao, Formosa.

Lycodontis punctata (Schneider)

Gymnothorax punctatus SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 526. Tranquebar.

Muraena punctata RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 83 (Indian Ocean). -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, p. 78 (reference). -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 58 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 64 (compiled). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 102 (Madras). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 669, pl. 173, fig. 1; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 79. -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Administrat. Rep., 1925, p. F15.

Lycodontis tile (Buchanan-Hamilton)

Muraenophis tile BUCHANAN-HAMILTON, Fishes of Ganges, 1822, pp. 18, 363. Ganges estuaries near Calcutta.

Muraena tile CANTOR, Journ. Asiatic Soc. Bengal, vol. 18, pt. 2, 1849, p. 1313 (compiled). -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, pp. (78) 159 (Calcutta). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 112 (Calcutta; types of Muraena vermiculata and Muraena gracilis; East Indies). -- DAY, Fishes of India, vol. 4, 1878, p. 668, pl. 170, fig. 4; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 76, fig. 31. -- BOULENGER, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1890, p. 40 (Deli, Sumatra). -- (REGAN) BEDOT, Rev. Suisse Zool., vol. 17, 1909, p. 169 (Amboina).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) tile WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1913, p. 370, fig. 176 (BLEEKER'S example).

Thyrsoidea tile KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 65 (compiled); Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 93, pl. 13, fig. 66 (head) (compiled). -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30.

Gymnothorax tile BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 97, pl. (34) 178, fig. 1 (Sumatra, Singapore, Banka, Borneo, Bengal). -- KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 385 (no locality). -- DAY, Fishes of Malabar, 1865, p. 249 (reference. -- BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 211 (copied). -- FOWLER, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 8, No. 7, 1923, p. 375 (Honolulu).

Echidna tile PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1868, p. 275 (Lauang, Samar).

Lycodontis tile FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 54, pl. 2B (Honolulu).

Lycodontis literata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, pl. 7, fig. 2. Bengal, Calcutta market.

Strophidon literata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 215 (Bengal).

Muraena literata BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genoots h. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, p. 78 (reference).

Lycodontis punctata (not SCHNEIDER) MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 187, pl. 7, fig. 3. Bengal, vicinity Calcutta.

Strophidon punctata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 215 (Bengal).

Muraena punctata RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 83 (Indian Ocean). -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Muraen.), vol. , 185, , p. 42.

Strophidon maculata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, pp. 203, 215, pl. 8, fig. 1. Bengal.

Muraena maculata BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1865, p. 31 (Manila Bay).

Muraena vermiculata RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 92. India. -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, p. 78 (reference).

Muraena gracilis RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 92. India. -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, p. 78 (reference).

Lycodontis sathete (Buchanan-Hamilton)

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Muraena sathete RICHARDSON, Ichth. Voy. Erebus and Terror, 1844-48, p. 91 (India).-- CANTOR, Journ. Asiatic Soc. Bengal, vol. 18, pt. 2, 1849, p. 1313 (fresh waters and seas of Pinang). -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ichth. Bengal), vol. 25, 1853, p. 78 (reference). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 126 (no locality). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. '4, 1876, p. 668; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 77.

Thyrsoidea sathete KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 62 (compiled); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 86, pl. 12, fig. 63 (head) (India).

Lycodontis longicaudata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 187, pl. 8, fig. 2. Bengal (on BUCHANAN-HAMILTON drawing).

Strophidon longicandata MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 215 (Bengal; error).

Lycodontis polyuranodon (Bleeker)

Muraena polyuranodon BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 5, 1853, p. 248. Ceram. -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 114 (type). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Rinduhati upper Benculen). -- BOULENGER, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 15, 1895, p. 187 (Palawan). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Viti Islands). -- GÜNTHER, Rep. Voy. Challenger, vol. 1, pt. 6, 1880, p. 36 (Ovalau); Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 421 (Ovalau, in fresh water).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) polyuranodon WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 369, fig. 185 (dentition) (Ambon; Humboldt Bay, New Guinea).

Gymnothorax polyuranodon BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 89, pl. (30) 174, fig. 2 (Java, Sumatra, Borneo, Celebes, Buro, Amboina, Ceram); Versl. Kon. Meded. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1868, p. 301 (Waigiu). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Kandavu). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 214 (Saub River).

Lycodontis polyuranodon FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 54 (Ebon Island); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (reference).

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Polyuranodon kuhlii KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 96 (compiled).

Muraenoblenna tigrina (not LESSON) KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 66 (part; Moluccas).

Muraeno-blenna tigrina KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 98 (Moluccas).

Lycodontis meleagris (Shaw and Nodder)

Muraena meleagris SHAW and NODDER, Naturalist's Miscellany, vol. 7, 1795, pl. 220. Southern Ocean.

-- SHAW, General Zool., vol. 4, p. 1, 180, p. 32 ( ). -- RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 93 (Southern Ocean). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 100 (type, Zanzibar, Mauritius, Java, Fiji, Seychelles). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Tonga). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 668. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 59 (Tonga Islands). -- KÁROLI, Termesz. Füzetek, Budapest, vol. 5, 1881, p. 185 (Sarangoon). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 76. -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 410 (Samoa, Fawaii, Society Islands, Fiji, Ponape, Triendly Islands, Carolines, Tahiti, Paumotus).

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Thyrsoidea meleagris KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 64 (Southern Ocean; British Museum); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 91 (compiled).

Gymnothorax meleagris BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 94 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 107 (Apia). -- GILCHRIST and THOMPSON, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, pt. 4, 1917, p. 304 (compiled). -- FOWLER and BEAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 62, 1922, p. 10 (Zamboanga). -- FOWLER, Copeia, No. 112, Nov. 20, 1922, p. 82 (Hawaii). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 213 (Cabalian).

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Muraena griseo-badia (not RICHARDSON) BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 8, 1855, p. 325 (Batoe).

Gymnothorax griseo-badius BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 105, pl. (31) 175, fig. 2 (Sumatra, Nias, Batu, Bali, Sangi, Amboina, Buro).

Thyrsoidea chlorostigma KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 63. Seychelles; Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 89 (type).

Gymnothorax chlorostigma BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 97, pl. (34) 178, fig. 2 (not 3) (type).

Muraena duivenbodei BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 10, 1856, p. (362) 385. Ternate. -- PELLEGRIN, Bull. Mus. Hist. Nat. Paris, vol. 4, 1898, p. 228 (Mariannes).

Muraena afra (not BLOCH) WEBER, Zool. Forsch. Semon, vol. 5, 1895, p. 275.

Lycodontis eurosta FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 494, pl. 18, fig. 4 (type).

Gymnothorax eurostus JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 92 (copied ABBOTT). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 21 (type).

Lycodontis parvibranchialis FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 494, pl. 18, fig. 1. Hawaiian Islands.

Muraena laysana STEINDACHNER, Anzeiger Akad. Wiss. Wien, Nr. 16, June 27, 1900, p. 177. Laysan; Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 70, 1901, p. 515, pl. 6, fig. 1-2 (type).

Muraena duivenbodii GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 114 (type).

Gymnothorax duivenbodei BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 89, pl. (25) 169, fig. 1 (type).

Muraena buroensis BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 13, 1857, p. (57) 79. Kajeli, Buru. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 114 (type; RICHARDSON'S example).

Gymnothorax buroënsis BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 90, pl. (46) 190, fig. 1 (Cocos, Buro, Amboina, Ceram).

Thyrsoidea eurosta ABBOTT, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1860, p. 478. Hawaiian Islands.

Gymnothorax laysanus JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 425, fig. 5 (Honolulu). -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 518 (Honolulu; Hilo). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 27, 1904, p. 942 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23,pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 93, pl. 11, fig. 22 (Honolulu, Waikiki, Cocoanut Island, Hilo). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 21 (type of Lycodontis parvibranchialis).

Muraena nigra (not RISSO) SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 1, No. 3, 1900 (1901), p. 62 (Guam).

Gymnothorax leucostictus JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 425, fig. 5. Honolulu. -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 1, No. 5, 1902, p. 15 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 96, fig. 25 (Honolulu).

Gymnothorax ercodes JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 428, fig. 8. Honolulu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 95, fig. 24 (Honolulu).

Gymnothorax chalazius WAITE, Records Austral. Mus., vol. 5, 1903, p. 145, pl. 7, fig. 2. Lord Howe Island; vol. 5, pt. 3, 1904, p. 191 (reference). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 10 (Tubuai, Austral Islands).

Gymnothorax tahitensis SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 7, pl. (Lower right fig.). Tahiti.

Gymnothorax marquesensis SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 10, fig. 1 (lower left fig.). Nukuhiva, Marquesas Islands.

Gymnothorax gilberti TANAKA, Journ. College Sci. Tokyo, vol. 23, 1908, p. 25, pl. fig. 1. Bonin Islands.

Gymnothorax dovii (not GÜNTHER) KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 25, 1912, p. 82 (Cook Bay, Easter Island).

Gymnothorax monochrous (not BLEEKER) WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 59 (Sailus ketjil Island). -- BEAUFORT, Bidj. Dierk., pt. 19, 1913, p. 100 (Ambon).

Depth 12 1/2 to 17; head 7 to 7 3/5, 3 1/5 to 3 1/3 to vent, width 2 4/5 to 3 3/5 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 to 1 1/5 in tail. Snout 5 to 5 4/5 in head; eye 6 1/2 to 10 1/3, 1 to 2 in snout, 1 to 1 1/5 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 to 2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 to 2 1/8 in head; teeth biserial on maxillaries with inner row of 7 or 8 and in young third outer series of small teeth which soon lost; premaxillary with 2 or 3 large median fangs and outer loup of rather larger teeth; vomerine teeth uniserial or biserial, with jew larger inner teeth anteriorly; interorbital 6 1/5 to 7, low, depressed. Gill opening 3/4 to 7/8 of eye.

Dorsal origin midway to last third in postrictal space, fin little higher than anal.

Color very variable, usually brown or even whitish basic color. Often with very numerous crowded white or yellow small spots and with or without black gill openings. Sometimes with small variable dark or even nearly black spots, which may even be more or less transversely arranged, appear as streaks, mottling or even reticulations. Dark or pale spots may be equally contrasted on the same individual. In young spots comparatively fewer. Sometimes coloration nearly uniform brown, of various shades.

Zanzibar, Natal, Mauritius, Seychelles, Burma, East Indies, Philippines, Japan, Australia, Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

22991. Cebu market. March 22, 1909. Length 245 mm.

6126. Iloilo market, Panay. June 2, 1908. Length 983 mm. Dried hard, poor specimen.

6352 (1803). Inamucan Bay, Mindanao. August 8, 1909. Length 270 mm.

13208. Jolo Island. March 7, 1908. Length 220 mm.

1 example. Nogas Point, Panay. February 4, 1908. Length 52 mm. Largely uniform blackish.

22334. River at Pasacao, Luzon. March 9, 1909. Length 180 mm.

1 example. Makassar, Celebes, tidepool. December 16, 1909. Length 67 mm.

984 A. N. S. P. Hawaiian Islands. Dr. J. K. Townsend. Length 344 mm. Type of Thyrsoidea eurosta.

16483 A. N. S. P. Hawaiian Islands. Length 118 mm. Type of Lycodontis parvibranchialis.

Lycodontis stellifera (Richardson)

Muraena stellifer RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 86. Madagascar.

Muraena stellifera GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 101 (type).

Gymnothorax stellifer BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 345 (Madagascar); Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference).

Lycodontis callorhyncha (Günther)

Muraena callorhynchus GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 122. Freemantle, Western Australia.

Rabula callorhyncha MC CULLOCH, Austral. Mus. Mem., vol. 5, pt. 1, June 29, 1929, p. 71 (reference).

Lycodontis schismatorhyncha (Bleeker)

Muraena schismatorhynchus BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Neder-
land. Indië, vol. 4, 1853, p. 301. Benculen, Su-
matra. -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 57
(reference). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus.,
vol. 8, 1870, p. 127 (type; type of Muraena cong-
eroides); Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. ,
1910, p. 410 (Sumatra).

Muraena schismatorhyncha KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit.
Mus., 1856, p. 49 (compiled).

Muraena (Gymnothorax) schismatorhyncha WEBER and BEAU-
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1916, p. 366 (type of Eurymyctera crudelis; Java;
Timor).

Gymnothorax schismatorhynchus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind.
Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 106, pl. (40) 184, fig.
1 (Sumatra, Java, Timor).

Lycodontis schismatorhynchus FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 53 (compiled).

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Muraena congeroides BLEEKER, Act. Soc. Sci. Ind. Neér-land., (Sumatra8), vol. 8, 1859, p. (12) 87. Ben-culen, Sumatra.

Rhinamuraena eritima JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 196, fig. 6. Pago Pago, Samoa.

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Lycodontis prionodon (Ogilby)

Gymnothorax prionodon OGILBY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, ser. 2, vol. 9, March 28, 1895, p. 720. Port Jackson. -- MC CULLOCH, Austral. Mus. Mem., vol. 5, pt. 2, June 29, 1929, p. 74 (reference).

Lycodontis angusticaudata (Weber and Beaufort)

Muraena (Priodonophis) angusticaudata WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 389, fig. 388 (teeth). Near Supiore, Schouten Islands.

Lycodontis moluccensis (Bleeker)

Priodonophis moluccensis BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1864, p. 48. Amboyna; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 108, pl. (43) 187, fig. 1 (type).

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Muraena (Priodonophis) moluccensis WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 390 (type).

Lycodontis monostigma (Regan)

Muraena monostigma REGAN, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, 1909, p. 438. Tahiti; Raiatea. -- GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 409 (fig. of head) (type).

Lycodontis monostigma FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 59 (compiled).

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Muraena (Priodonophis) reticularis WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 388 (type of Muraena minor).

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Lycodontis reticularis FOWLER, Hong Kong Naturalist, vol. 2, No. 4, Nov. 1931, p. 290 (Hong Kong).

Gymnothorax reticulatus BLOCH, Naturg. Ausland. Fische, vol. 9, 1795, p. 416. ; SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 428 (Coromandel).

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Priodontophis minor KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 382 (no locality).

Lycodontis nudivomer (Günther)

Muraena nudivomer GÜNTHER, Fishes of Zanzibar, 1866, p. 127, pl. 18, Zanzibar; Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 104 (type; adult).

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Muraena goldsboroughii GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 418 (Hawaiian Islands).

Gymnothorax xanthostomus SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 519 pl. 5, fig. 10. Honolulu.

Depth 12 7/8; head 9 1/4, 4 to vent, head width 2 4/5 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/4 in tail. Snout 5 1/4 in head; eye 10, 1 4/5 in snout, 1 1/2 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 2 eye diameters beyond eye, length 2 1/8 in head; teeth in jaws uniserial, none on vomer and no medial fangs on premaxillary, largest medio-latterally; interorbital 8, broadly and slightly convex with median depression. Gill opening 1 1/5 in eye.

Dorsal origin midway in postrictal space, fin high or much higher than anal.

Brown, with many pale small crowded pale or whitish irregular spots, only separated by reticulated lines on head and trunk, though on latter spots little larger and reticulations resulting more wide. On tail whitish lines become still coarser and define irregular broad dark cross bands, also reflected on vertical fins. Gill opening with narrow neutral dusky or black border. Iris pale or yellowish brown.

Zanzibar, Natal, Rui Kui, Hawaii. My example greatly resembles Günther's figure, which however does not show any gill opening. Günther also describes the "upper jaw with a cluster of five or six slightly curved teeth in front (the hindermost being the longest)" and also shows them on his plate, a condition not present in my specimen.

A1618. Naha, Rui Kui. February 7, 1910. Length 665 mm. Agrees with Günther's plate except he does not show the edge of the gill opening rather narrowly blackish. Anal edge also pale.

Lycodontis picta (Ahl)

Muraena picta AHL, Specimen. Ichth. Ophichth. Thunberg, 1789, p. 8, pl., right fig. East India, -- GÜNTHER, Fishes of Zanzibar, 1866, p. 384. -- PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1868, p. (Samar). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 116 (Zanzibar, type of Muraena lita, East Indies, Sumatra, Amboina, Borneo, type of Muraena pfeifferi and Muraena siderea, Australia, Samoa, Fiji). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asian, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Ambon River; Buru). -- PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876 (1877), p. 850 (New Hannover). -- STREETS, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 7, 1877, p. 93 (Palmyra Island). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 672, pl. 172, fig. 4. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Samoa). --

PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39 (Samoa). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 82. -- BARTLETT, Sarawak Gazette, vol. 26, No. 368, 1896, p. 180 (reference). -- ISHIKAWA and MATSUURA, Prelim. Cat. Fishes Mus. Tokyo, 1897, p. 5. -- PELLEGRIN, Bull. Mus. Hist. Nat. Paris, vol. 4, 1898, p. 228 (Mariannes). -- STEINDACHNER, Abh. Senchenberg. Naturf. Ges., vol. 25, 1901, p. 457 ( ); Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 71, pt. 1, 1907, p. 158 (Bal Haf; Geschin). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 419 (Hawaiian Islands, Carolines, Guam, Marquesas, Fiji, New Lauenburg on Duke of York Island, Kingsmills, Samoa, Society Islands). -- WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 59 (Sailus ketjil; Muaras Reef; Sang uisiapo; Beo; Lucipara; Rotti).

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Muraena (Gymnothorax) picta WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 363, figs. 175, 180, 182, 183 (Wijnkoops Bay, Java; Reef de Bril, near Celebes; Sulu; Ambon; Humboldt Bay, New Guinea; Banda; Roma; Sumba; also WEBER'S material).

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Sidera pantherina KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 71 (Darnley Island; Diego Geracias; Moluccas).

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Poecilophis variegata KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 381 (Tahiti).

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Muraena goldsboroughi (not JORDAN and EVERMANN) GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 418 (part).

Gymnothorax punctatus (not SCHNEIDER) FOWLER and SILVESTER, Marine Pap. Carnegie Inst., 1922, p. 112 (Pago Pago).

Depth 14 to 21; head 7 2/3 to 8 1/3, 3 3/4 to 4 to vent, width 3 to 3 1/2 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 to 1 1/5 in tail. Snout 6 to 6 1/2 in head; eye 11 to 13, 1 3/4 to 2 in snout, 1 to 1 1/5 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 to 2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 1/2 to 3 in head; teeth in jaws uniserial, in very young biserial though inner series soon disappearing; vomerine teeth uniserial in young, later becoming irregular or biserial and with age only 2 short series remain; mandibular teeth biserial in young, outer series disappearing with age except anteriorly where always biserial; young with 2 or 3 teeth in row on premaxillary, only 1 remaining with age, surrounding loup of teeth 10 to a dozen; interorbital 6 7/8 to 9, rather broadly convex, with median depression. Gill opening 2/3 of eye.

Dorsal origin over last fifth in postrictal space till over gill opening, fin much higher than anal; short caudal obtuse.

Generally pale yellowish, with small numerous rounded blackish spots, about equal to eye in very young. In young of later stages spots with pale or yellow centers, both of which gradually increase in size and extent with age. Eventually dark areas break and resulting spots subdivide until whole body marked with myriads of small dark dots, fewer on whitish abdomen.

Arabia, Zanzibar, Natal, Madagascar, India, East Indies, Philippines, Rui Kui, Queensland, Northern Australia, Western Australia, New South Wales, Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

21784. Cebu market. March 20, 1909. Length 127 mm.

22987 to 22990, 22992. Cebu market. March 22, 1909. Length 160 to 230 mm.

10931 to 10941. Cebu market. March 24, 1909. Length 210 to 300 mm.

18378 to 18380. Cebu market. April 4, 1908. Length 141 to 305 mm.

18219 to 18227. Cebu market. April 5, 1908. Length 185 to 245 mm.

10959 to 10960. Cebu market. August 25, 1909. Length 186 to 203 mm.

8152 to 8154, 8156 to 8158. Cebu market. August 29, 1909. Length 220 to 290 mm.

A1355. Great Tobea Island. December 15, 1909. Length 680 mm.

8995. Gubat Bay, Luzon. June 23, 1909. Length 683 mm.

4723. Ligpo Point, Balayan Bay, Balayan Bay and Verde Island Passage. January 18, 1908. Length 324 mm.

5979, 10894, 10896 to 10899. Little Santa Cruz Island. May 26, 1908. Length 138 to 505 mm.

23024 to 23026. Mactan Island. August 28, 1909. Length 94 to 200 mm.

22996 to 22999. Mactan Island. August 31, 1909. Length 70 to 282 mm.

22398. Mahinog, Camiguin Island. August 3, 1909. Length 116 mm.

6493. D. 5275. Malavatuan Island (N.), S. 71° E., 10.75 miles (N. 13° 55' 55" E. 120° 10' 15"), China Sea, vicinity southern Luzon. In 117 fathoms. July 16, 1908. Length 714 mm.

1 example. Marongas Island, shore coral head. February 10, 1908. Length 90 mm. Very finely and minutely speckled with darker.

22478. Masinloc Bay. Luzon. November 22, 1908. Length 173 mm.

23027 to 23032. Masipit, Mindanao. August 1, 1909. Length 145 to 228 mm.

23009, 23020. Nogas Point, Pinay, February 4, 1908. Length 153 to 253 mm.

21578, 23004, 23010, 23012. Pilas Island. September 12, 1909. Length 146 to 355 mm.

11607. Sablayan, Mindoro. December 12, 1908. Length 240 mm.

10900. Silino Island. August 10, 1909. Length 404 mm.

18194. Simonor Island, Sulu Archipelago. February 24, 1908. Length 225 mm.

21575, 21577. Simaluc Island, north of Tawi Tawi. September 22, 1909. Length 240 to 380 mm.

A660, 6598, 6601. Simaluc Sibi Sibi Island. September 23, 1909. Length 230 to 563 mm.

5029. South Tumindao Island, Sulu Archipelago. February 26, 1908. Length 307 mm.

4913 to 4917. Tataan, Simulac Island, Sulu Archipelago. February 19, 1908. Length 307 to 816 mm.

4915, 7470 to 7472. Tataan, Simulac Island. February 20, 1908. Length 264 to 550 mm.

11246. Verde del Sur Island. April 6, 1909. Length 212 mm.

12559 and 12560. Apra Bay, Guam. November 19 to 21, 1907. Length 178 to 258 mm.

18229 to 18232, 22365. Basa Reef, Gulf of Boni, Celebes. December 17, 1909. Length 190 to 467 mm.

6860. Kowloon market, China. October 22, 1909. Length 642 mm.

21367, 21369. Tomahu Island, Bouro Island and vicinity. December 12, 1909. Length 95 to 230 mm.

Lycodontis thyrsoidea (Richardson)

Muraena thyrsoidea RICHARDSON, Vou. Sulphur, Fishes, 1844, p. 111 (not pl. 49, fig. 1). China Seas, Canton; Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 91 (Sea of China). -- CANTOR, Journ. Asiatic Soc. Bengal, vol. 18, pt. 2, 1849, p. 1312, pl. 5, fig. 5 (Pinang). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 113 (type of description; Pinang). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Samoa). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 672, pl. 172, fig. 3. -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39 (Samoa). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 81. -- STEINDACHNER, Denks. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-nat. Kl., vol. 70, 1901, p. 514 (French Pass). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 6, pt. 17, 1910, p. 419 (Ponape', Guam, Fate', Tubuai, Samoa, Tonga, Fiji).

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Muraena (Gymnothorax) thyrsoidea WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 365 (BLEEKER'S example).

Gymnothorax thyrsoideus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 103 (copied CANTOR). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 198 (Pago Pago). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 9 (Fate', New Hebrides, Tubuai, Austral Islands). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 209 (Sitanki, Cabalian, Jordan).

Lycodontis thyrsoidea FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 52 (Fate', Tubuai, Samoa, Society Islands, Apiang); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (note).

Muraena griseobadia RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 89. Tonga Islands.

Thyrsoidea griseobadia KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 60 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 74 (copied).

Gymnothorax griseo-badius BLEEKER, Arch. Neérland. Sci. Nat. Harlem, vol. 13, 1878, p. 38 (New Guinea).

Muraena prosopeion BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 4, 1853, p. 300. Cauer and Priaman, Sumatra.

Thyrsoidea prosopeion KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 62 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 87 (copied).

Gymnothorax prosopeion BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 88, pl. (39) 183, fig. 3 (Cocos, Sumatra, Halmahera, Amboina, Timor).

Thyrsoidea arenata KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 61. China; Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 85 (compiled). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 2, 1865, p. 9 (Samoa); No. 3, 1866, p. 11 (Samoa); No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa).

Muraena arenatus (CUVIER) KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 61 (name in synonymy).

Gymnothorax obscurirostris RENDAHL, Nat. Hist. Juan Fernandez and Easter Island, Skottsberg, vol. 3, Zool., pt. 1, 1921, p. 62. Easter Island.

Depth 15 1/4 to 15 2/3; head 8 to 8 2/3, 3 1/4 to 3 2/5 to vent, width 3 to 3 7/8 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/2 to 1 3/5 in tail. Snout 6 1/3 to 7 in head; eye 9 1/4 to 10 1/2, 1 1/2 to 1 2/3 in snout, 1 to 1 1/4 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 to 1 1/2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 to 2 1/2 in head; teeth in jaws and on vomer biserial, inner maxillaries fewer, longer than outer, depressible; 2 medial depressible premaxillary teeth, with outer loup of 15 to 18 subequally large teeth, larger than maxillaries; interorbital 8 1/5 to 9 4/5, rather low, little convex. Gill opening subequal with eye.

Dorsal origin from first 2/5 to 1/2 in postrictal space, fin higher than anal; short caudal obtusely rounded.

Brown, obscurely marbled, mottled or specked with darker, in larger specimens forming more or less irregular groups.

Arabia, Rodriquez, Seychelles, Andamans, Burma, Pinang, East Indies, Philippines, China, Western Australia, Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Easter Island.

13209. Jolo Island. March 7, 1908. Length 283 mm.

18169. Marongas Island, vicinity of Jolo. February 10, 1908. Length 190 mm. (66)

23013. Nogas Point, Panay. February 4, 1908. Length 288 mm.

Genus AEmasia Jordan and Snyder

AEmasia JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 883. Type AEmasia lichenosa JORDAN and SNYDER, orthotypic.

Body robust, little less than tail. Head large. Snout pointed. Eye small, well advanced. Mouth cleft large, jaws not completely closing. Teeth biserial, very sharp, mostly set vertically, long slender canines in inner series and on vomer depressible. Teeth largest and biserial on vomer. Nasal tubes short. Gill opening small, close below middle in body depth. Dorsal origin before gill opening. Coloration variegated.

One species. Known by its "array of bristling teeth."

AEmasia lichenosa Jordan and Snyder

AEmasia lichenosa JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 883, fig. 20. Wakanoura and Misaki, Japan.

Genus Enchelynassa Kaup

Enchelynassa KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1855, pt. 1, p. 212. Type Enchelynassa bleekeri KAUP, monotypic.

Body compressed, rather deep. Head moderate. Snout long, pointed. Eye small, far advanced. Mouth cleft large, not closing so only tips of jaws neet. Teeth not concealed by lips, biserial, irregular, inner series larger and depressible like few large vomerine fangs. Front nostrils at short space from snout tip, with low thickened rim and hind bilobed flap. Hind nostrils midway between front nostrils and eye, oval, not much smaller than eye, surrounded by broad, thin membrane. Gill opening small, nearly median in body depth. Dorsal usually begins before gill opening.

Enchelynassa canina (Quoy and Gaimard)

Muraena canina QUOY and GAIMARD, Voy. Uranie, Zool., 1824, p. 247. Waigiu; Rawak.

Muraena (Enchelynassa) canina WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 390, fig. 191 (head), fig. 192 (dentition) (type of Enchelynassa bleekeri).

Gymnothorax caninus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1864, p. 136 (reference).

Enchelynassa canina JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 197 (Samoa). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 59, pl. 3 A (Honolulu, Fakarava, type of Gymnothorax vinolentus); vol. 11, N_o. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference); Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 81, art. 8, 1932, p. 3 (Ninafoon).

Enchelynassa bleekeri KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1855, pt. ;. p. 212, pl. 10, fig. 3 (head). Leyden collection; 1856, pt. 1, p. 59 (Pacific Ocean); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 72, pl. 11, fig. 55 (head). No locality (Pacific Sea). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 136 (reference). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 27, 1904, p. 941 (Hawaiian Islands; Samoa). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 90, pl. 10 (Honolulu; Samoa).

Gymnothorax bleekeri BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1865, p. 136 (reference).

Enchelynassa bleekeri JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 90, pl. 10 (Honolulu; Samoa).

Muraena bleekeri GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 409 (Samoa, Tahiti, Raiatea, Hawaii).

Gymnothorax vinolentus JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 165. Kailua; vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), pl. 11.

Enchelynassa vinolentus JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 91 (type).

Enchelynassa rhinechidna JORDAN, Journ. Pan Pacific Res. Inst., vol. 2, No. 4, Oct. Dec. 1927, p. 4 (Samoa; lapsus).

Genus Murenophis Cuvier

Murenophis CUVIER, Tabl. Eleméntaire Hist. Nat., 1798, p. 329. Type Muraena helena LINNAEUS, monotypic.

Muraenophis LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, p. 627. Type Muraena helena LINNAEUS, designated by JORDAN and EVERMANN, Genera of Fishes, pt. 1, 1917, p. 68.

Limomuraena KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 65. Type Muraena guttata RICHARDSON, monotypic.

Lips continuous with skin of head. Teeth acute, sharp. Vomerine teeth uniserial or biserial. Both nostrils in conspicuous long tubes. Tail moderate, not twice long as trunk. Vertical fins well developed, dorsal beginning before vent.

Species rather few. Usually variegated morays easily distinguished as both pairs of nostrils tubular.

Analysis of species

a^1. Numerous whitish dark edged ocelli, partly confluent and larger below. *pardalis*.

a^2. Brownish black, with oval white spots, large as or larger than eye; mouth ange and gill opening black; inside mouth spotted with black. *pavonina*.

a^3. Body with numerous pale blotches, each with cluster of blackish spots. *australiae*.

Murenophis pardalis (Schlegel)

Muraena pardalis SCHLEGEL, Fauna Japonica, Poiss., pts. 10-11, 1846, p. 268, pl. 119. Japan. -- BLEEKER, Verh. Batav. Genootsch. (Nal. Ich. Jap.), vol. 25, 1853, p. 20 (reference); Act. Soc. Sci. Ind. Neerland., No. 3, vol. 3, 1857-58, p. 30 (Japan). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 99 (Mauritius). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 879 (Wakanoura). -- GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 408 (Savaii, Tahiti). -- FRANZ, Abh. Kon. Bayer. Akad. Wiss., vol. 4, Suppl Band 1, 1910, p. 16 (Aburatsubo).

Muraena (Muraena) pardalis WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 357, figs. 177-178 (type).

Gymnothorax pardalis BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêr-
land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 86, pl. (25) 169, fig. 1, pl. (26) 170, fig. 2 (Java, Cocos, Japan); Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference).

Muraenophis pardalis FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 51 (Honolulu and Society Islands).

Muraena kailuae JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 156. Kailua, Hawaii. -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol.22, 1902 (1904), p. 518 (Napili Harbor, Maui; Honolulu). -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 27, 1904, p. 941 (Honolulu; Laysan). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 88, pl. 9, figs. 20-21 (types; Hawaiian material). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1 (1906), p. 196 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and DICKERSON, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 34, 1908, p. 604 (Suva, Fiji).

Muraena lampra JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 423, fig. 3. Honolulu.

Muraena kauila JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 424, fig. 4. Honolulu.

Murenophis pavonina (Richardson)

Muraena pavonina RICHARDSON, Voy. Sulphur, Ichth., 1844, p. 110, pl. 53, fig. 1-6. No locality, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 90 (Southern Sea). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 98 (type; "southern seas").

Muraenophis pavonina FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 51 (no locality).

Murenophis australiae (Richardson)

Muraena helena australiae RICHARDSON, Ichth. Voy. Erebus and Terror, 1844-48, (p. 80) pl. 49, figs. 1-6. Australia.

Muraena australis MC CULLOCH, Austral. Mus. Mem., No. 5, June 29, 1929, p. 71 (reference).

Muraena vorax OGILBY, Proc. Royal Soc. Queensland, vol. 20, Jan. 2, 1907, p. 11.

Genus Echidna Forster

Echidna FORSTER, Icon. Ined. Bibl. Banks, 1777, p. 181. Type Echidan variegata FORSTER; Enchiridion, Feb. 15, 1778, p. 81. Type Muraena echidna GMELIN, tautotypic.

Gymnothorax BLOCH, Naturg. Ausland. Fische, vol. 9, pt. 12, 1795, p. 83. Type Gymnothorax catenata BLOCH, designated by BLEEKER, Naturk. Verh. Holland. Maatsch., Harlem, vol. 18, No. 2, 1863, p. 130.

Gymnomuraena LACEPEDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, p. 648. Type Gymnomuraena doliata LACÉPÈDE, designated by BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1865, p. 122.

Gymnopsis RAFINESQUE, Analyse de la nature, 1815, p. 93. Type Gymnomuraena doliata LACÉPÈDE, virtually. Gymnopsis RAFINESQUE proposed to replace Gymnomuraena LACÉPÈDE.

Megaderus RAFINESQUE, Analyse de la nature, 1815, p. 93. Type Echidna variegata FORSTER, virtually. Megaderus RAFINESQUE proposed to replace Echidna FORSTER.

Molarii RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 79. Type Muraena ophis RUPPELL=Muraena nebulosa AHL, designated by JORDAN, Genera of Fishes, pt. 2, 1919, p. 223.

Poecilophis KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 66. Type Gymnothorax catenata BLOCH, designated by JORDAN, Genera of Fishes, pt. 2, 1919, p. 272.

Leihala E. K. JORDAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 66, 1925, p. 5. Type Poecilophis tritor VAILLANT and SAUVAGE, monotypic.

Mouth cleft rather short. Teeth mostly obtuse, molar like. Only front nostril tubular. Hind nostril circular. Dorsal begins before gill opening. Tail moderate, not twice length of trunk.

Tropical morays, often brilliantly or strikingly colored. The rather few species are distinguished chiefly by their obtuse molar like teeth.

Analysis of species

a[1]. Tail equals, 1/3 longer or somewhat shorter than head and trunk.

b[1]. Uniform black or brown; dorsal origin above or behind gill openings.

c[1]. No white spot near mouth corner.

nigra.

c[2]. White spot near mouth corner.

rhodochilus.

b[2]. Marbled or mottled darker; dorsal origin before gill openings.

d[1]. Dorsal origin far before gill openings; premaxillary teeth in crescent, enclosing 2 strong teeth in middle; vomerine teeth biserial.

delicatula.

d[2]. Dorsal origin shortly before gill openings; premaxillary teeth in group; vomerine teeth biserial.

amblyodon.

b[3]. Spotted; dorsal origin before gill openings; premaxillary teeth in crescent with 1 or 2 central; tail somewhat shorter than head and trunk.

e^1. Brown with numerous round or oval patches; head less than 2 in trunk. xanthospilus.

e^2. Numerous small spots or lines and 2 series of large, more or less star like patches; head 3 1/2 to more than 4 in trunk. nebulosa.

b^4. Body with 24 to 29 narrow rings, exceptionally on tail only; when young teeth on premaxillary in peripheral series enclosing 3 larger mesial ones, biserial on vomer; with age in group on premaxillary plate and vomer. polyzona.

a^2. Tail twice or more than twice in head and trunk; roundish group on premaxillary plate and pear shaped group of vomerine teeth continuous; blackish brown with 30 to over 100 narrow white rings. zebra.

Echidna nigra (Day)

Muraena nigra DAY, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1870, p. 702. Port Blair, Andamans', Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 674, pl. 171, fig. 3; Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 84.

Echidna rhodochilus Bleeker

Echidna rhodochilus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. (246) 247. Rotti Island; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 79, pl. (23) 167, fig. 4 (Buro). -- WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 61 (Beo). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 350 (Sinabang Bay and Lugu, Simalur Island; Beo). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 198, pl. 10, fig. 4 (Masbate, Iba, Palanas).

Muraena rhodochilus GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 132 (type).

Echidna delicatula (Kaup)

Poecilophis delicatulus KAUP, Archiv Naturg., vol. 5, 1856, pt. 1, p. 67. Moluccas; Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 100 (part).

Echidna delicatula BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 78, pl. (23) 167, fig. 3 (Amboina, Buro, Timor). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 28, 1905, p. 772 (Negros); Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25. 1905 (1906), p. 204 (Pago Pago). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad, Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 32 (Apia). -- BEAUFORT, Bijd. Dierk., Amsterdam, vol. 19, 1913, p. 100 (Saonek near Waigiu). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 350 (Saonek). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 199, fig. 10 (teeth) (Puerto Galera, Dumaguete). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 50 (Samoa).

Muraena amblyodon (not BLEEKER) GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 132 (part); Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, 1910, p. 424 (part).

Echidna kishinouyei JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 885, fig. 21. Okinawa, Rui Kiu.

Echidna trossula (JORDAN and STARKS) JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 203, fig. 8. Pago Pago, Samoa.

Depth 17 to 18; head 8 2/3 to 10 1/4, 4 to 4 2/3 to vent, width 3 to 3 1/5 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 1/8 to 1 1/2 in tail. Snout 6 to 6 2/5 in head; eye 7 1/4 to 7 3/4, 1 1/5 to 1 1/4 in snout, 1 to 1 1/8 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1/2 to 3/5 eye diameter behind eye, length 2 1/5 to 3 in head; teeth conic, on maxillaries biserial or biserial at least anteriorly, likewise mandibular teeth; about dozen large short, conic teeth on premaxillary; patch of small biserial granular teeth on vomer; interorbital 6 2/3 to 7 1/4, low, little convex. Gill opening 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 in snout, median in body depth.

Dorsal origin at last 1/4 in postrictal space, fin height 4 2/5 to 4 1/2 in head; anal little lower than dorsal.

Uniform dark brown or brownish dusky. Iris gray. Whitish blotch below eye and another at rictus often present. Fins like body color. Sometimes under surfaces of head and trunk paler brown than above.

East Indies, Philippines, Rui Kui, Japan, Polynesia.

13717. Alimango Bay, Burias Island. March 5, 1909. Length 130 mm.

11011. Ragay River, Ragay Gulf, Luzon. March 10, 1909. Length 255 mm.

Echidna amblyodon (Bleeker)

Muraena amblyodon BLEEKER, Act. Soc. Sci. Ind. Neér-land., (Manado), vol. 1, 1856, p. 72. Manado, Celebes. -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 132 (type). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Savaii). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 420 (Samoa, Guam, Marquesas).

Muraena (Poecilophis) amblyodon MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Amboina).

Echidna amblyodon SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Savay). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 12 (Nukuhiva). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 200, fig. 11 (teeth) (Puerto Galera). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 50 (Society Islands, Apia, Nukuhiva); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (reference).

Echidna delicatula (not KAUP) JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 204 (Pago Pago). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 32 (Apia).

Echidna xanthospila (Bleeker)

Muraena xanthospilos BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 19, 1859, p. 349. Karangbollong, Java.

Muraena xanthospila GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 131 (type); Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 423 (Samoa).

Echidna xanthospilus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 79, pl. (23) 167, fig. 1 (Java). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 348 (BLEEKER'S example). -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Administrat. Rep., 1925, p. F 15.

Echidna xanthospila STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 1423 (Upolu). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 49 (compiled)

Poeciloplus ornata KAUP, Abh. Nat. Ver. Hamburg, 1859,

p. 28, pl. 5. East Indies.

Echidna nebulosa (Ahl)

Muraena nebulosa AHL, Specimen Ichth. Mur. Ophichth. Thunberg, 1789, p. 7, pl. (right fig.). East India. -- RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth. 1844-48, p. 94, pl. 47, fig. 1-16 (Indian Ocean, Chinese Sea, Australia, Polynesia). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 130 (Natal, Zanzibar, Madagascar, Seychelles, India, Moluccas, Amboina, Macassar, Siam, China Sea, Fiji, Trinity Bay, New Holland). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zol. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 618 (Red Sea). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (South Sea). -- ALLEYNE and MACLEAY, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 1, 1876, p. 351 (all reefs (Queensland)). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 673, pl. 172, fig. 2. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (South Sea). -- GUNTHER, Rep. Voy. Challenger, vol. 1, pt. 6, 1880, p. 54 (Cebu), 58 (Tahiti).

-- DE VIS, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. 8, 1883, p. 457 (New Britain). -- POHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39 (South Sea). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 83, fig. 33. -- BORSIERI, Ann. Mus. Civ. Stor. Nat. Genova, vol. 41, 1904, p. 218 (Dissei). -- REGAN, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1909, p. 403 (Christmas Island, Indian Ocean). --(REGAN) BEDOT, Rev. Suisse Zool., vol. 17, 1909, p. 169 (Amboyna). -- GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 423 (Hawaiian Islands). -- GILCHRIST and THOMPSON, Ann. South African Mus., vol. 11, No. 2, 1911, p. 52 (Natal); Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, No. 4, 1917, p. 305 (compiled).

Muraena (Poecilophis) nebulosa MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 46 (Benculen; Buru).

Muroena nebulosa ELERA, Cat. Fishes Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 594 (Cebu).

Gymnothorax nebulosus SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 528 (on AHL). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 6 (Shortland Island; Nukuhiva).

Gymnothorax nebulosa GARMAN, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 24, 1899, p. 314 (Society Islands); Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 39, 1903, p. 239 (Suva, Fiji).

Echidna nebulosa FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 524 (Samoa). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 1, 1902, pp. 18, 19 (Honolulu). -- JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 520 (Honolulu). -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 520 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 110, pl. 1 (Honolulu, Hilo, Kailua).

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FOWLER and BEAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 62, 1922, p. 10 (Zamboanga). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 197, pl. 10, fig. 3 (Leyte, Mindoro, Ibu, Guam). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 22, 1925, p. 5 (Guam), p. 31 (Samoa). -- BARNARD, Ann. South African Mus., vol. 21, pt. 1, 1925, p. 214 (Natal coast). -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Administrat. Rep., 1925, p. F 15. -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 6 (Howland and Baker Islands). -- WHITLEY, Rec. Austral. Mus., vol. 16, No. 1, 1927, p. 7 (New Hebrides; Samoa). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, p. 49 (Marcus, Raiatea, Rarotonga, Nukuhiva, Shortland, Honolulu, Guam, Samoa, Ebon, Ascension, Society, Apiang, Apia). -- WHITLEY, Journ. Pan. Pacific Res. Inst., vol. 3, No. 1, Jan. -March 1928, p. 11 (Santa Cruz Island). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 317 (Suva Point, Fiji; Guam).

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Muraenophis echidna LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, pp. 627, 641 (Palmerston Island).

Strophidon echidna MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 215 (New Britain; Amboina).

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Echidna variegata BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 80, pl. (24) 168, fig. 2 (Java, Sumatra, Cocos, Celebes, Timor, Buro, Amboina, Ceram, Goram); Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). -- PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876, p. 446 (Mauritius); 1876 (1877), p. 850 (Mauri-

tius; Timor). -- BLEEKER, Versl. Kon. Meded. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, ser. 2, vol. 12, 1878, p. 193 (Manabare, East Madagascar).

Poecilophis variegatus KAUP, Archiv Naturg., vol. , 1856, pt. 1, p. 66 (compiled). -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30.

Poecilophis variegata KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 98, pl. 13, fig. 67, a, b, d (head and dentition) (compiled).

Poecilophis (Muraenophis) variegatus GUICHENOT, Mem. Soc. Sci. Nat. Cherbourg, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1866, p. 147 (Madagascar).

Muraenophis variegata JOUAN, Mem. Soc. Sci. Cherbourg, ser. 2, vol. 5, 1870, p. 106 (Seychelles).

Muraena ophis RÜPPELL, Atlas Reise Nördl. Afrika, Fische, 1828, p. 116, pl. 29, fig. 2. Red Sea. -- KITTLITZ, Denkw. Reise Mikronesien, vol. 2, 1858, p. 20 (Ualau).

Thaerodontis ophis MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 217 (Red Sea).

Muraena geographica (SOLANDER) RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 94. Uhietea.

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Echidna scabra GARMAN, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 24, 1899, p. 314. Cocos Island.

Depth 14 1/5 to 18 2/3; head 8 1/2 to 10 1/8, 4 1/3 to 4 4/5 to vent, width 2 3/5 to 3 1/5 in its length; tail 7/8 to 9/10 of combined head and trunk. Snout 5 1/3 to 7 in head; eye 8 2/5 to 12 1/4, 1 3/4 to 2 in snout, 1 3/4 to 1 4/5 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends eye diameter behind eye, length 2 2/3 to 3 1/6 in head; upper teeth small, conic, short, uniserial, in young with inner short row of 2 to 4 teeth; lower teeth biserial, inner row larger, or teeth biserial, inner row larger, or only anteriorly biserial in young; 2 large medial molar teeth on premaxillary surrounded in front and laterally by semicircle of smaller teeth; vomerine teeth biserial; interorbital 6 1/8 to 8 1/4, convex. Gill opening long as eye.

Dorsal origin at last 2/5 in postrictal space, fin higher than anal; caudal small, short, rounded.

Pale obivaceous, finely dotted or speckled with dusky to blackish. Along back and on dorsal fin 26 blackish blotches, all spotted at least medially with small irregular ochraceous marks. Though dark saddles extend on back and many to edge of dorsal, none reach median axis of trunk or tail. Along lower side of body similar blotches, alternate on trunk and opposed on lower side of tail. On fore part of tail alternating blackish blotches occur at first, soon obsolete or little behind middle. On sides of abdomen blackish blotches continue down on belly, though not joining and in this region entirely black. On head transverse blackish band extends down close behind eye narrowly, followed by similar and much broader one close behind. Both bands mottled with ochraceous, though complete below. Iris yellowish. Mouth corners mottled with blackish. Anal and caudal broadly margined with white or cream white.

Red Sea, Zanzibar, Natal, Mauritius, Madagascar, Seychelles, East Indies, Philippines, China, Queensland, New South Wales, Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

10945. Cebu market. March 24, 1909. Length 370 mm.

9378. Cebu market. August 31, 1909. Length 497 mm.

14123. Great Tobea Island. December 15, 1909. Length 465 mm.

10893. Little Santa Cruz, Zamboanga. May 26, 1908. Length 200 mm.

22371. Maculabo Island. June 14, 1909. Length 310 mm.

22486. Marongas Island. February 10, 1908. Length 203 mm.

2300 to 23003. Pilas Island. September 12, 1909. Length 73 to 160 mm.

4649. Port Binanga, Luzon. January 9, 1908. Length 308 mm.

21576. Simaluc Sibi Sibi Island. September 22, 1909. Length 162 mm.

A661, 6599. Simaluc Sibi Sibi Island. September 23, 1909. Length 280 to 496 mm.

4949. Tataan, Simulac Island. February 20, 1908. Length 443 mm.

20111. Ulugan Bay near Baheli River mouth, Palawan. December 23, 1908. Length 443 mm.

18233. Basa Reef, Gulf of Boni, Celebes. December 17, 1909. Length 388 mm.

22679. Labundata Bay, Gulf of Boni, Celebes. December 18, 1909. Length 356 mm.

21368. Tomahu Island. December 12. 1909. Length 250 mm.

Echidna polyzona (Richardson)

Muraena polyzona RICHARDSON, Voy. Sulphur, Fishes, 1844, p. 114. pl. 55, figs. 11-14. No locality; Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 95 (locality?). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 3, 1866, p. 12 (Samoa). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 129 (East Indies, type of Muraena dizona). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zøol. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 617 (Red Sea). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 67 (not pl. 172, fig. 2.). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Samoa). -- POHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 39 (Samoa). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 83. -- STEINDACHNER, Abh. Senckenburg. Naturg. Ges., vol. 25, 1901, p. 457 ( ). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 7, 1910, p. 422 (Marquesas, Samoa, Tahiti, Wallis, New Lauenburg, Duke of York Islands).

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Muroena polyzona ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 594 (Luzon, Manila).

Poecilophis polyzonus KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 66 (london, Paris (Museums)); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 101 (compiled).

Poecilophis polyzonus SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 2, 1865, p. 9 (Samoa).

Poecilophis polyzona KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 382 (Tahiti).

Echidna polyzona BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 81, pl. (24) 168, fig. 3 (Java, Cocos, Celebes, Curo, Amboina, Ceram, Timor). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 3, 1866, p. 12 (Samoa); No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 496 (Honolulu). -- STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 1423 (Upolu). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, No. 1, 1906, p. 12 (Nukuhiva, Marquesas Islands). -- JORDAN and RICHARDSON, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 27, 1907 (1908), p. 241 (Calayan). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 30 (Hawaii). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 346, fig. 169 (dentition) (Ambon, Waigiu, Rotti). -- FOWLER, Copeia, No. 112, Nov. 20, 1922, p. 82 (Hawaii). --

HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 196 (Calapan, Nasugbu). -- FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 26, 1925, p. 6 (French Frigates Shoal). -- BARNARD, Ann. South African Mus., vol. 21, pt. 1, 1925, p. 213 (Natal coast). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 6 (Christmas Island); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 48, fig. 11 (Honolulu, Marcus, Nukuhiva, French Frigates Shoal, types of Echidna leihala, Echidna zonophaea, Echidna psalion, Echidna obscura, Echidna vincta, Echidna zonata, Echidna sauvagei, Fakarava, Apia, Hawaii, Society Islands); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 316 (Honolulu).

Gymnothorax polyzona GILCHRIST and THOMPSON, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, pt. 4, 1917, p. 306 (compiled).

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Muraena helena (not LINNAEUS) BONNATERRE, Tabl. Ichth., 1788, p. 33 (Amboina). -- FORSTER, Fauna Indica, 1795, p. 14. -- LONNBERG, Bihang Svensk. Akad. Handl., vol. 22, No. 1, 1896, p. 24.

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Poecilophis fascigula KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 67 (reference); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 102 (copied).

Muraena dizona BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 22, 1860, p. (249) 260. Timor.

Echidna tritor VAILLANT and SAUVAGE, Rev. Mag. Zool., ser. 3, vol. 3, 1875, p. 287. Hawaiian Islands. -- JORDAN and SNYDER, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 26, 1906 (1907), p. 208 (Honolulu). -- KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 248 (Fakarava, Paumotus).

Leihala tritor E. K. JORDAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 66, 1925, pl. 1, figs. 1-2 (Honolulu).

Echidna zonata FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1900, p. 495, pl. 18, fig. 2. Honolulu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 108, fig. 31 (types of Echidna vincta). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 30 (type).

Echidna leihala JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 428, fig. 9. Honolulu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 109, fig. 32 (types).

Echidna vincta JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 429, fig. 10. Honolulu. -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 521 (Honolulu).

Echidna obscura JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 431, fig. 12. Honolulu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 107, fig. 30 (types).

Echidna psalion JENKINS, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 431, fig. 12. Honolulu. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 106, fig. 29 (type).

Muraena nebulosa (not BLOCH) BRYAN and HERRE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 2, No. 1, 1903, p. 127 (Marcus Island).

Echidna zonophaea JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1903), p. 167. Honolulu; vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 109, pl. 21 (types).

Echidna sauvagei FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 30, fig. 8. No locality (Hawaii?).

Depth 15 7/8 to 21; head 8 3/4 to 8 5/6, 3 7/8 to 4 3/5 to vent, width 3 3/5 to 4 in its length; combined head and trunk variably slightly longer or shorter than tail. Snout 4 4/5 to 5 3/4 in head; eye 7 1/3 to 8 1/4, 1 1/3 to 1 2/5 in snout, equals interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 1/8 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 3/4 to 3 1/4 in head; teeth in jaws conic, biserial, inner lower larger; premaxillary with 3 median teeth surrounded by 2 outer rows laterally and 1 anteriorly, all more molar like with ago; vomer with biserial teeth in young increasing to form large ovoid patch of about 5 irregular series, median largest and all molar like; interorbital 6 1/3 to 7 1/4, convex. Gill opening nearly or quite equals eye.

Dorsal origin about 1/3 to 1/2 in postrictal space, continuous behind with very short caudal; anal lower than dorsal.

Dark or light brown with 24 to 30 dark brown rings, variably interrupted, obsolete or largely even absent except at end of tail. Sometimes coloration when tending to absence of dark rings or blotches, obsurely marbled or mottled. Often dark blotch or streak at mouth corner.

Red Sea, Mozambique, Natal, East Indies, Philippines, Formosa, Rui Kui, Melanesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

9368. Cebu market. September 4, 1909. Length 480 mm.

14122. Great Tobea Island. December 15, 1909. Length 398 mm.

1898. Port Busin, Burias Island. March 8, 1909. Length 425 mm.

Echidna zebra (Shaw)

Gymnothorax zebra SHAW, Naturalist's Miscellany, vol. 9, , pl. 322. "American Seas" (error). -- SCHNEIDER, Syst. Ichth. Bloch, 1801, p. 528 (Museo Hunteri).

Gymnomuraena zebra RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 95 (Sumatra; New Britain). -- KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 68 (Sumatra; New Britain; Madagascar); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 104, pl. 14, fig. 70 (upper dentition) (compiled). -- BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 345 (Madagascar).

Gymnomuraena (Muraenophis) zebra GUICHENOT, Mem. Soc. Sci. Cherbourg, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1866, p. 148 (Madagascar).

Echidna zebra BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 81, pl. (27) 171, fig. 1 (Sumatra, Buro, Amboina, Timor). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 3, 1866, p. 12 (Samoa). -- BLEEKER, Versl. Kon. Meded. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1868, p. 301 (Waigui). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Viti Islands). -- BLEELER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). -- PØHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (Samoa). -- SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 520 (Honolulu). -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 106, pl. 20 (Honolulu, Kailua, Samoa). -- STEINDACHNER, Sitz. Ber. Akad. Wiss. Wien, Math.-naturw. Kl., vol. 115, pt. 1, 1906, p. 1422 (Upolu). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 203 (Samoa). --

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Muraena zebra GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 128 (type; types of Muraena molendinaris and Gymnomuraena fasciata, Sumatra, Amboina, East Indies, Samoa, Seychelles). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 620 (Red Sea). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 673. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Samoa; Viti Islands). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 2, 1889, p. 82. -- ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 594 (Cavite, Luzon, Santa Cruz, Batangas, Nasugbu). -- GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 422 (Samoa, Society Islands, Kingsmills, New Lauenberg, Duke of York Island).

Gymnomuraena doliata LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1801, pp. 648, 649, pl. 19, fig. 4. New Britain; Dict. Sci. Nat., vol. 20, , p. 125, pl. poiss. 79, fig. 2. -- MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 217 (compiled).

Muraena molendinaris BENNETT, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 1, 1833, p. 32. Mauritius.

Gymnomuraena fasciata KAUP, Archiv Naturg., vol. 22, pt. 1, 1856, p. 68. Muscat; Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 103, pl. , fig. 69 (compiled).

Muraenophis fasciatus (HARDWICKE) KAUP, Archiv Naturg., vol. 22, pt. 1, 1856, p. 68 (name in synonymy).

Muraenichthys schultzei (not BLEEKER) DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, pl. 169, fig. 5 (transposed).

Genus Uropterygius Rüppell

Uropterygius RÜPPELL, Neue Wirbelth. Fische, 1838, p. 83. Type Uropterygius concolor RÜPPELL, monotypic.

Scutica JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 47, pt. 1, 1896, p. 403. Type Gymnomuraena nectura JORDAN and GILBERT, orthotypic.

Scuticaria JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. , 1901, p. 886. Type Ichthophis tigrinus LESSON, orthotypic.

Anarchias (JORDAN and STARKS) JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 204. Type Anarchias allardicei JORDAN and SEALE.

Snout moderate, about half length of mouth cleft. Mouth cleft moderate, not half of head. Teeth small, subequal, pointed, in several series. Tail about long as trunk. Vertical fins rudimentary, confined to end of tail. No pectoral.

Small or moderate sized morays, represented by few species with apparent absence of fins.

Analysis of species

a[1]. Uropterygius. Tail subequal, longer or shorter than head and trunk combined.

b[1]. Uniform brown; depth 20 to 33.

c[1]. Tail equals or much longer than head and trunk; head 7 to 8 2/5. concolor.

c[2]. Tail 1/3 total length; head 13. brevicauda.

b[2]. Color mottled, marbled or spotted.

d[1]. Gill opening midway in body depth; 2 or 3 rows of teeth in jaws.

e[1]. Head 7 to 7 1/2; blackish, with variable pale spots. macrocephalus.

e[2]. Head 8 1/2; brownish, with numerous variable small waved cross bands. fasciolatus.

e[3]. Head 9 to 11; brownish, marbled darker. marmoratus.

e[4]. Head 11; muzzle yellow; body with 2 or 3 rows of large dark blotches. polyspilus.

d[2]. Gill opening high above middle of body depth.

f[1]. Teeth very numerous, in bands; reddish, with close set variable small dark spots. supraforatus.

f[2]. Teeth biserial in jaws and on vomer; uniform cinnamon brown. okinawae.

a[2]. Scuticaria. Tail 1 3/4 to over 2 times head and trunk combined.

g[1]. Variable dark blotches on pharynx, not forming elongate dark streaks. tigrinus.

g[2]. Dark blotches on pharynx forming elongate blackish streaks and dark blotches on head small. fijiensis.

Uropterygius concolor Rüppell

Uropterygius concolor RUPPELL, Neue Wirbelth., Fische, 1838, p. 83, pl. 20, fig. 4. Massaua, Red Sea. -- GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1862, p. 30. -- JORDAN and SEALE, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 25, 1905, p. 206 (Samoa), p. 772 (Negros). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, N_o. 1, 1906, p. 10 (Nukuhiva, Marquesas Islands). -- KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 250 (Rangiroa, Paumotus). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 231 (Calapan and Ibu). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 22, 1925, p. 5 (Guam). -- FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 26, 1925, p. 7 (French Frigates Shoal). -- WHITLEY, Journ. Pan Pacific Res. Inst., vol. 1, No. 2, Jan. March 1927, p. 8 (Rotuma). -- FOWLER and BEAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 71, 1927, p. 2 (Poeloe Toekus Island, Sumatra).

FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 7 (Palmyra and Canton Island); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 60 (Agana, Guam, Palmyra, Fanning, Nukuhiva, French Frigates Shoal, Samoa, Rangiroa, Pago Pago, Society Islands, type of Uropterygius leucurus); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

Gymnomuraena concolor MC CLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 217 (Red Sea). -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 134 (Cape York). -- KLUNZINGER, Verh. zool. bot. Ges. Wien, vol. 21, 1871, p. 620 (Red Sea). -- BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 426 (Rotuma, Cape York, Hawaii). -- WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 63 (Borneo Band, Karkaralang, Nusa Kaut, Kur). -- REGAN, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 1, 1914-17, p. 458 (Durban). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 395 (Nias, East Borneo, Ambon, Nusa Laut, Kur, Savu, Solor, Humboldt Bay). -- BARNARD, Ann. South African Mus., vol. 21, 1925, p. 215 (Natal coast). -- DERANIYAGALA, Ceylon Administrat. Rep., 1925, p. F15.

Muraenoblenna olivacea LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1801, pp. 652, 653. "Magellan Strait."

Uropterygius unicolor KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 69 (on RÜPPELL, pl. 20, fig. 4); Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 105 (copied).

Scuticaria unicolor SEALE, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 61, No. 4, May 1917, p. 94. Society Islands.

Gymnomuraena fusca PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1866 (1867), p. 524. Amboina. -- GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 7, 1870, p. 134 (copied). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 406 (Amboina River).

Muraena tile (not BUCHANAN-HAMILTON) SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 1, No. 3, 1900 (1901), p. 62 (Guam).

Uropterygius leucurus SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. 521, pl. 6, fig. 12. Between Maui and Lanai, 28 fathoms. -- JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 112, pl. 13, fig. 2 (type).

Uropterygius marmoratus (not LACÉPÈDE) SNYDER, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 22, 1902 (1904), p. (south of Molokai; between Maui and Lanai).

Anarchias allardicei JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 204, fig. 9. Pago Pago. -- BEAUFORT, Bijd. Dierk., Amsterdam, pt. 19, 1913, p. 101 ( ). -- FOWLER and SILVESTER, Marine Pap. Carnegie Inst., 1922, p. 114 (Pago Pago),

Muraena allardicei GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 421 (Society Islands).

Anarchias knighti JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher,, vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 205, fig. 10. Apia.

Depth 16 1/3 to 19 1/2; head 8 1/3 to 9 1/8, 3 2/3 to 4 4/5 to vent, width 3 1/5 to 4 1/5 in its length; combined head 1 to 1 1/4 in tail. Snout 5 4/5 to 6 in head; eye 10 to 12, 1 3/4 to 2 in snout, 1 1/8 to 1 2/5 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 1/3 to 2 2/5 in head; teeth in jaws biserial, inner larger, well spaced and depressible; vomerine teeth with short single series; premaxillary teeth variable longer or shorter than inner jaw series, often 2 or 3 fang like and depressible; interorbital 7 to 7 1/4, low, broadly convex. Gill opening subequal with eye.

Rudimentary fins only at end of tail.

Uniform brown, mandible sometimes paler. Iris gray.

Red Sea, Natal, Mauritius, East Indies, Philippines, Queensland, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

10942, 10943. Cebu market. March 24, 1909. Length 303 to 355 mm.

8155. Cebu market. August 29, 1909. Length 290 mm.

24 examples. Gubat Bay, Luzon, tide pools. June 23, 1909. Length 57 to 107 mm.

19675. Santa Cruz Island, Marinduque. April 24, 1908. Length 190 mm.

1 example. Reefs of Apra Bay, Guam. November 19 to 21, 1907. Length 103 mm.

Uropterygius brevicauda (Regan)

Gymnomuraena brevicauda REGAN, Rev. Suisse, Zool., vol. 11, 1903, p. 414, pl. 13, fig. 1. Mauritius.

Uropterygius macrocephalus (Bleeker)

Gymnothorax macrocephalus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 2, 1865, p. 54. Amboyna; Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neerland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 114, pl. (21) 165, fig. 2 (type).

Uropterygius macrocephalus JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905, p. 206 (Apia). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 32 (Apia); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 60 (Palmyra, Fakarava, Ebon).

Gymnomuraena macrocephalus GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 19, pt. 17, 1910, p. 425 (Marquesas Islands). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 396 (Mauras Reef; Karakelang).

Gymnomuraena marmorata (not LACÉPÈDE) GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 133 (type of Gymnothorax macrocephalus).

Gymnomuraena tigrina (not LESSON) WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 63 (Muaras Reef).

Uropterygius fasciolatus (Regan)

Gymnomuraena fasciolatus REGAN, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, 1909, p. 438. Duke of York Island. -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. , fig. (head) (type).

Uropterygius fasciolatus FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 61 (compiled).

Uropterygius marmoratus (Lacépède)

Gymnomuraena marmorata LACÉPÈDE, Hist. Nat. Poiss., vol. 5, 1803, pp. 648, 649. New Britain. -- MCCLELLAND, Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist., vol. 5, 1845, p. 217 ("Europe"). -- GÜNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 133 (East Indies, Borneo, types of Muraena micropterus). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38 (Uea; Savay). -- MARTENS, Preuss. Exped. Ost-Asien, vol. 1, 1876, p. 405 (Shanghai, Benculen, Zamboanga, Amboina River, Atapupu, Timor). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p. 674, pl. 172, fig. 5. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p. 60 (Uea; Savaii). -- PÖHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (South Sea). -- DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 85, fig. 34. -- ELERA, Cat. Fauna Filip., vol. 1, 1895, p. 595 (Mindanao; Zamboanga). --

BARTLETT, Sarawak Gazette, vol. 26, No. 368, 1896, p. (reference). -- BOULENGER, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 20, 1897, p. 374 (Rotuma). -- GUNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 425 (Hawaii). -- WEBER, Siboga Exp., vol. 57, Fische, 1913, p. 62 (Paternoster Islands, Dangala, Muaras Reef, Taruna, Ambon, Sula Besi, Molo Strait, between Wowoni and Buton). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes Indo Australian Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 397, fig. 193-194 (Nias, Simalur, Batavia, Wijnkoops Bay, Letti, Sangir, Amboina, Tana Merah, also WEBER'S material). -- BARNARD, Ann. South African Mus., vol. 21, pt. 1, 1925, p. 215 (Natal coast).

Uropterygius marmoratus JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 111 (Kailua). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 206 (Apia). -- KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 250 (Fakarava and Makemo, Paumotus). -- FOWLER, Copeia, No. 112, Nov. 20, 1922, p. 82 (Hawaii). -- HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 232 (Sitanki). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., vol. 22, 1925, p. 5 (Guam), p. 31 (Samoa). -- FOWLER and BALL, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 26, 1925, p. 7 (French Frigates Shoal). -- FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 7 (Christmas and Baker Islands); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 61 (Apia, Hawaii, Nukuhiva, Guam, French Frigates Shoal, Fiji, Fakarava, Samoa, Strong, Carolines, Ebon, Apia); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference); Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 81, art. 8, 1932, p. 3 (Ninafoon).

Scuticaria marmorata SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, pt. 1, 1906, p. 12 (Nukuhiva).

Ichthyophis pantherinus LESSON, Voy. Coquille, Poiss., vol. 2, pt. 1, 1830, p. 131, pl. 13. Oualan, Carolines. -- SWAINSON, Nat. Hist. Animals, vol. 2, 1839, p. 336 (reference).

Sidera pantherina GUICHENOT, Notes Ile Reunion, vol. 2, 1861, p. 30.

Sidera (Muraenophis) pantherina GUICHENOT, Mem. Soc. Sci. Cherbourg, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1866, p. 147 (Madagascar).

Gymnomuraena pantherina BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 113, pl. (31) 175, fig. 3 (Java, Amboina, Ceram). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Samoa).

Uropterygius pantherinus KENDALL and GOLDSBOROUGH, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 26, 1911, p. 248 (Fakarava, Paumotus).

Muraena micropterus BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indië, vol. 3, 1852, p. (238) 298. Wahai, Ceram.

Uropterygius micropterus BLEEKER, Nederland. Tijds. Dierk., vol. 1, 1863, p. 160.

Gymnomuraena micropterus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neêrland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 114, pl. (20) 184, fig. 2 (Flores, Buro, Morotai, Amboina, Ceram, Aru, Timor).

Gymnomuraena microptera KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 388 (Madras).

Gymnomuraena micropteryx BLEEKER, Versl. Kon. Meded. Akad. Wet. Amsterdam, ser. 2, vol. 2, 1868, p. 301 (Waigiu).

-- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 27 (Namusi).

Uropterygius xanthopterus BLEEKER, Nat. Tijds. Nederland. Indié, vol. 19, 1859, p. (332) 350. Patijtan, Java.

Gymnomuraena xanthopterus BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neérland., vol. 4, 1864, p. 115, pl. (20) 184, fig. 1 (Java; Amboina).

Gymnomuraena xanthoptera KNER, Reise Novara, Fische, 1865, p. 388 (no locality). -- REGAN, Ann. Durban Mus., vol. 2, 1917-20, p. 197 (Durban).

Uropterygius macrocephalus (not BLEEKER) JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 206 (Apia). -- FOWLER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, 1912, p. 32 (Apia).

Anarchias reticulatus HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 230, pl. 9, fig. 3. Sitanki.

Depth 16 1/2 to 28; head 7 to 10 1/3, 3 2/5 to 4 1/4 to vent, width 3 to 3 4/5 in its length; combined head and trunk 1 to 1 2/5 in tail. Snout 6 1/2 to 6 3/4 in head; eye 10 to 11 1/2, 1 3/4 to 1 7/8 in snout, 1 1/4 to 1 3/4 in interorbital; mouth cleft extends 1 1/4 to 2 eye diameters behind eye, length 2 2/3 to 2 3/4 in head; teeth triserial, 2 innerseries larger, wider spaced, fewer and depressible, in jaws, in young biserial; several large medial depressible premaxillary teeth; vomerine teeth in short single row, biserial anteriorly with age; interorbital 7 1/4 to 8, little convex. Gill opening equals or little longer than eye.

Slight cutaneous fin only at end of tail.

Yellowish, grayish or gray brown, usually little paler below. Body most everywhere finely or coarsely marbled with darker.

Zanzibar, Natal, Madagascar, Aldabra, India, Andamans, East Indies, Philippines, China, Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia, Hawaii.

10895. Little Santa Cruz Island, Zamboanga, May 26, 1908. Length 330 mm.

23 examples. Maricaban Island, Luzon, shore under stone. January 20, 1908. Length 60 to 195 mm.

23014 to 23018. Nogas Point, Panay. February 4, 1908. Length 83 to 185 mm. 6 examples.

23005, 23006, 23011. Pilas Island. September 12, 1909. Length 130 to 163 mm.

11608 to 11612. Sablayan, Mindanao. December 12, 1908. Length 135 to 238 mm.

20755. Sablayan, Mindanao. December 13, 1908. Length 215 mm.

18205 to 18207. Sabtan Island. November 8, 1908. Length 145 to 188 mm.

7473. Tataan, Simaluc Island. February 20, 1908. Length 225 mm.

22482, 22483. Nan Wan, Formosa. January 27, 1910. Length 125 to 248 mm.

Uropterygius polyspilus (Regan)

Gymnomuraena polyspila REGAN, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, 1909, p. 438. Tahiti; Zanzibar. -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 425, fig. (type).

Uropterygius polyspilus FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 60 (Society Islands).

Uropterygius supraforatus (Regan)

Gymnomuraena supraforata REGAN, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 4, vol. 8, 1909, p. 439. Savay (Tahiti). -- GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910, p. 426, fig. (head) (type).

Uropterygius supraforatus HERRE, Philippine Journ. Sci., vol. 23, No. 2, Aug. 1923, p. 234, fig. 14 (teeth) (Cresta de Gallo near Sabuyan). -- FOWLER, Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 61 (compiled).

Uropterygius okinawae Jordan and Snyder

Uropterygius okinawae JORDAN and SNYDER, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 23, 1901, p. 886, fig. 22. Okinawa, Riu Kui. -- FRANZ, Abh. Kön. Bayer. Akad. Wiss., vol. 4, Suppl. Band 1, 1910, p. 16, pl. 3, fig. 4 (Fukuura).

Uropterygius tigrinus (Lesson)

Ichthyophis tigrinus LESSON, Mem. Soc. Hist. Nat. Paris, vol. 4, 1829, p. 399. Bora Bora, Society Islands; Voy. Coquille, Zool., vol. 2, pt. 1, 1830, p. 129, pl. 12 (type). -- SWAINSON, Nat. Hist. Animals, vol. 2, 1839, p. 336 (reference). -- RICHARDSON, Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 96 (Oualan). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 2, 1865, p. 9 (Samoa).

Gymnomuraena tigrina BLEEKER, Atlas Ichth. Ind. Neer-
land., vol. 4, 1864, p. 113, pl. (21) 165, fig. 3
(Java, Cocos, Amboina, Timor). -- KNER, Reise Novara,
Fische, 1865, p. 387 (Tahiti). -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus.
Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 27 (Samoa). -- GUNTHER,
Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 133 (Maurit-
ius, Zanzibar, East Indies, India). -- BLEEKER, Rech.
Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference). --
PETERS, Monatsb. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1876, p. 446
(Mauritius). -- DAY, Fishes of India, pt. 4, 1878, p.
674. -- SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 7, 1879, p.
60 (South Sea). -- SMITH and SWAIN, Proc. U. S. Nat.
Mus., vol. , 1882, p. 121 (Johnston Island). -- PÖHL,
Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (South Sea). --
DAY, Fauna Brit. India, Fishes, vol. 1, 1889, p. 84. --
GÜNTHER, Journ. Mus. Godeffroy, vol. 9, pt. 17, 1910,
p. 424 (Society Islands). -- WEBER and BEAUFORT, Fishes
Indo Austral. Archipelago, vol. 3, 1916, p. 393

(BLEEKER'S example). -- BARNARD, Ann. South African Mus., vol. 21, pt. 1, 1925, p. 216 (Natal coast).

Muraenoblenna tigrina KAUP, Archiv Naturg., 1856, pt. 1, p. 66 (Oualan, Moluccas, Celebes).

Muraeno-blenna tigrina KAUP, Cat. Apodal Fish Brit. Mus., 1856, p. 98 (compiled).

Scuticaria tigrina JORDAN and EVERMANN, Bull. U. S. Fish Comm., vol. 23, pt. 1, 1903 (1905), p. 112, pl. 22 (Honolulu; Kailua). -- JORDAN and SEALE, Bull. Bur. Fisher., vol. 25, 1905 (1906), p. 206 (Apia; Pago Pago). -- SEALE, Occas. Pap. Bishop Mus., vol. 4, pt. 1, 1906, p. 11 (Tahiti; Nukuhiva).

Uropterygius tigrinus FOWLER, Bull. Bishop Mus., No. 38, 1927, p. 7 (Honolulu); Mem. Bishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 59, pl. 3 B (Honolulu; Nukuhiva, Tahiti; Johnston; Society Islands; Apiang); vol. 11, No. 5, 1931, p. 318 (reference).

Gymnomuraena xanthopleura SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 4, 1869, p. 26 (Uvea). -- POHL, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 9, 1884, p. 40 (South Sea).

?Gymnomuraena breviceps SCHMELTZ, Cat. Mus. Godeffroy, No. 5, 1874, p. 38. Savay. (Nomen nudum.)

Uropterygius fijiensis Fowler and Bean

Uropterygius fijiensis FOWLER and BEAN, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 63, 1923, p. 9. Fiji. -- FOWLER, Mem. B ishop Mus., vol. 10, 1928, p. 60 (copied).

Genus Channomuraena Richardson

Channo-muraena RICHARDSON, Zool. Voy. Erebus and Terror, Ichth., 1844-48, p. 96. Type Ichtyophis vittatus RICHARDSON, monotypic.

Snout very short, less than 1/4 of mouth cleft. Eye well advanced. Mouth cleft long, nearly 1/2 of head. Teeth rather small, pointed, partly equal, in several series. Hind nostril short round tube or simple pore. Vertical fins rudimentary, confined to end of tail. Tail very short, about 1/2 rest of body.

Species few, strikingly colored.

Channomuraena bennettii (Günther)

Gymnomuraena bennettii GUNTHER, Cat. Fishes Brit. Mus., vol. 8, 1870, p. 135. Mauritius.

Gymnomuraena bennetti BLEEKER, Rech. Faune Madagascar, pt. 4, 1874, p. 73 (reference).